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²Succeeding Katherine Elliott, June 15, 1925, who resigned to join the consular service in Madrid.

³Succeeding Laurie Gray.

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, September 1, 1926.

DEAR MADAM: Herewith is submitted the report of the Texas Library and Historical Commission, including the report of the Texas State Library, for the ninth biennium, ending August 31, 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA KYLÆ BURLESON, Chairman,
KATE HUNTER,
RICHARD BURGESS,
DECCA LAMAR WEST,
R. L. IRVING.

Her Excellency,

THE GOVERNOR OF TEXAS.



SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE TEXAS LIBRARY AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

On February 10, 1925, the Commission met in the Governor's Public Reception Room in annual session. Vacation appointments of staff members by the Librarian were approved. The Commission agreed to a bill authorizing the temporary transfer of the State Library relics to the Museums of the Daughters of the Texas Republic and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. The need of a State Library Building and a raise in the Library salary scale was discussed.

On April 28, 1925, the Commission met in called session in the House Reception Room. The resignations of the State Librarian and the Archivist were read and accepted with regret. Miss Kate Hunter of Palestine and Major R. F. Burges of El Paso were appointed a committee to draft resolutions regarding the resignation of the State Librarian. Miss Rogan was elected State Librarian; Miss Ryan, Legislative Reference Librarian, succeeding Miss Rogan, and Miss Smither was elected Archivist. The State Librarian was instructed as to the manner of transferring the relics as provided for by the Thirty-ninth Legislature.

On May 5, 1926, the Commission met in the Senate Reception Room. The budget to be submitted to the Board of Control was adopted. Miss Decca Lamar West presented a resolution, which was adopted, urging the need of a State Library and Museum Building. The State Librarian and staff were re-elected. After adjournment, the Commission met with the Board of Control. The need of more room, the need of a library organizer, and the need of increased traveling expenses were especially stressed at the joint meeting.

REPORT OF STATE LIBRARIAN

CONSOLIDATION OF FUNCTIONS UNDER THE STATE LIBRARY. In but few of the states are the state-wide library functions so well consolidated as in Texas. In Texas under the one agency, the Texas Library and Historical Commission, State Library, are consolidated the library extension and organization work, traveling libraries, service for the blind, the legislative reference service, the archive service, and the "state library" service. Following the general trend of the consolidation of boards, commissions, and departments, Indiana in 1925 consolidated under one agency three separate libraries,—the Library Commission, the State Library, and the Legislative Reference Library. Other states have also done some library consolidation. Texas is fortunate in starting off with such centralization. In this report the short name, "State Library," will be used throughout for the longer name, "Texas Library and Historical Commission, State Library," though the reader must bear in mind that the short form also includes the "Commission idea and activities," which in some states are under an agency separate and distinct from the State Library.

DISTINCTIVE FUNCTIONS. The Texas State Library has a work that belongs peculiarly to it. In addition to its direct-mail book service it performs six library functions that no other library in the State performs or should perform,—library organization work, traveling library service, made-to-order book collection service, legislative reference service, document distribution service, and service for the blind. These services are all in one aspect or another state-wide in scope, and the libraries of the State look to the State Library to take care of these functions. In addition to these library functions, there is the archive division of the Library, which renders a service with a decided state-wide aspect.

WHO USES THE STATE LIBRARY AND WHAT DO THEY GET?

DIVERSE CLIENTELES. Just as there are several distinct services rendered by the Library, just so are there several distinct clienteles. Strangely, persons in one group often do not know of the other work of the Library. To some persons the Library is nothing but a Texas history library. To others it is nothing but a Southern history library. Up to the creation of the Commission of 1909 and the consequent reorganization of the Library, the Texas and Southern history functions were the only ones, and some persons have not waked up to the fact that the Library has greatly expanded and has assumed many more functions. To other groups the Library is a legislative reference library. To still others it is a place to borrow a book for the blind. To some it is a museum. Others know nothing but the traveling libraries sent out. One person said, "Visions of State documents arise before me whenever I think of the State Library." To another clientele, aid in library problems is the chief function. Some persons think the State Library is only for persons in the capitol. One user remarked,

"How delightful it must be always to live in the past and deal with old papers as you do." Another user remarked, "To secure so easily brand new information on current happenings is indeed a pleasure. The State Library is an oasis in the desert." So it goes. The Library is all of these things and more. Each service has its own users.

CLIENTELES OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE AND ARCHIVE SERVICES. The clienteles of the legislative reference service and the archive service, while differing in personnel, consist of persons who generally want highly specialized assistance for use in public or private business. Usually specific information on a specific point is sought. This is also true, though not to such a large extent, of the general reference questions answered by the Library. Appendices C, D, and F contain sample lists of questions answered by the Legislative Reference Division and by the Archive Division.

CLIENTELES OF TRAVELING LIBRARIES AND OF MADE-TO-ORDER COLLECTIONS. In striking contrast to the clienteles reached by these highly specialized and not unscholarly services is the clientele reached by the traveling libraries which are essentially popular in nature and reach most often the groups around a one or two or three-room schoolhouse. The aim of the traveling libraries is to furnish recreation and happiness, to broaden horizons, and to furnish mental and spiritual food to grow on. The traveling libraries try to keep adults from starving of book-hunger and try to prevent girls and boys growing up without book influences while waiting for permanent local service. In the Assistant Librarian's Report is a fuller description of this work.

The made-to-order collections more nearly fit expressed needs of small groups for whom they are especially selected and these collections are for cultural rather than for business purposes. They consist generally of from six to twenty-five books and may be kept from three weeks to generally throughout the club year. This past year such collections were lent to a woman's club studying certain artists, to a woman's club studying modern drama, to a Y. W. C. A. business girl's recreational reading club, to several clubs studying child-welfare problems, to a Boy Scout's camp for Executives, to rural community reading clubs, and to a small town high school.

Direct mail service is given to individuals who pay transportation charges both ways. By far the greater portion of this service, however, is in connection with the reference work.

LIBRARIES. LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT. Aid by mail is given to those seeking to establish or improve local library service. "How shall I proceed in getting a public library when all I have is the idea?" is the way one inquirer aptly expressed it. Four different legal questions from county libraries on the county library law were taken up with the Attorney General's Department during the last year. See Appendix B for a sample list of questions answered. A fuller account of the library organization work is given under *Library Extension*.

LIBRARIES. DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION. The larger libraries in the State and libraries out of the State are the direct beneficiaries of the regular and, as far as they are concerned, automatic distribution of

Texas documents. All Texas State documents published during the month are sent the first of the following month to 49 libraries in the State and 104 libraries out of the State, together with a mimeographed sheet listing the documents. This sheet is also sent to a few libraries and a few individuals, who may then write direct to the issuing department for desired documents.

In the monthly shipments 355 titles and 4615 copies of documents were distributed during the past biennium. This count excludes the University of Texas publications, which by special agreement are sent direct to the libraries on the State Library mailing list. A list of the documents sent out during the last two bienniums has been prepared, including the University of Texas publications, but is omitted from this report for lack of printing funds.

In addition to the monthly shipments the Legislative Reference Division sent out semi-weekly shipments of bills, resolutions, and daily journals during the legislative session. The Library has a goodly supply of old duplicate documents in comparatively good arrangement, which are kept especially for other libraries. A conservative estimate of such documents supplied to libraries during the past year is 200.

Transportation is prepaid on documents to libraries within the State and to libraries out of the State that send documents to the Texas State Library.

Libraries in Texas neglecting to send in annual reports or other requested library data to the State Library may be dropped by law from the mailing list.

BLIND READERS. To blind readers there were lent 1,296 books for the blind for the first year of the biennium and 1,469 for the second year, an increase of 173.

The Library has 891 titles and 1,725 volumes, distributed as follows: New York Point, 445 titles, 705 volumes; Braille, Grade 1½, 187 titles and 419 volumes; Moon, 249 titles and 601 volumes.

The Library has enjoyed the use of 484 additional volumes in Braille, Grade 1½, which were lent by the United States Veterans Bureau. These volumes have now been called in by the Bureau to be sent to the St. Louis Public Library, where they will reach a large number of blind ex-service men. These volumes are being replaced by purchases.

REQUESTS PRESENTED BY MAIL AND IN PERSON. The service of the State Library is essentially state-wide. An incomplete count shows that from September 1, 1925-August 31, 1926, the Library has answered requests from at least 376 places in at least 190 counties. No count was made of the number of persons served or of the number of requests from any one place. Hidalgo County takes first place in having requests from nine of her towns. Bell, Hunt, and Williamson Counties each had six towns from which requests came to the State Library. Archer, Bosque, Caldwell, Eastland, Grayson, and San Patricio Counties were each represented by requests from five different towns. For quick reference service, however, many call in person at the Library,—persons in the capitol, persons connected with or attending educational institutions in Austin, an indefinable but ever present floating clientele,

and persons who have made a trip to Austin for the express purpose of using the Library.

The greatest number of questions are presented in person during the legislative session. The capital city is the Mecca for all interested in legislation. The best informed and most wide-awake persons of the State have their representatives in the third house, representatives of oil, gas, telephone, telegraph, railways, labor, women's organizations, firemen, cattlemen, farmers, educators, heads of State schools and institutions. These find their way to the Library and make the day's work more interesting and stimulating. And also more strenuous, for often there is not a moment to lose in answer to a rush inquiry!

CIRCULATION. The total of all books and pamphlets lent outside the Library is 11,663 for the first year, the legislative year, and 10,937 for the second year, the gain in the traveling library and the blind circulation for the second year not balancing the loss of other circulation in the non-legislative year.

Analyzing these figures, 8,673 books and pamphlets were lent outside of the Library during the first year of the biennium, the legislative year, and 7,635 during the second year, excluding books in the traveling libraries and the books for the blind. One count, however, for each book in the made-to-order collection is included though, obviously, these books are lent more than once in the communities to which sent and are probably read by more than one person at each lending. Over 91 per cent. of the circulation of 8,673 for the legislative year and 7,635 for the second year was for non-fiction. This is an extremely high percentage of non-fiction circulation. Rarely does a public library even approach a 50 per cent. circulation of non-fiction, and most public libraries fall below 25 per cent. Such an enormous percentage of non-fiction circulation bespeaks the high character of resources, services, and clientele, especially as readers and inquirers make voluntary requests and are not forced to the Library as to a school or college library to get up school work. Moreover, the circulation of books that circulate themselves is almost negligible. Most of this circulation is in connection with the reference work. During the coming biennium an effort will be made to circulate more books, non-fiction, however, to be read just for the joy of reading.

The circulation for the books for the blind was 1,296 for the first year and 1,469 for the second year.

Counting but one circulation for each book in the traveling libraries sent out, 3,050 books were circulated the first year and 3,300 the second year. As these books stay in a community from three to six months, the books, as stated elsewhere, are obviously circulated locally over and over. As it has not proved feasible to get local circulation statistics, none of the local circulation is counted.

The Library strongly protests against being judged solely by circulation statistics, and insists that its other services and especially the quality and quantity of its reference work, much of which is true research work, be duly considered in evaluating the work of the Library as a whole.

LIBRARY EXTENSION

LIBRARY ORGANIZATION. Two hundred is a conservative estimate of the library organization questions answered by mail during the past year, September 1, 1925-August 31, 1926. These have come from persons trying to arouse enthusiasm in securing a library and from librarians wanting help in some library problem. The library has several hundred pamphlets and books to lend for answering such questions. A number of these are kept in quantities as high as fifty copies. These aids are lent chiefly for a month. Personal letters supplementing the aids are also sent in answering library organization questions. Appendix B gives a partial list of such questions between September 1, 1925, and April 1, 1926, many of which were asked a number of times. Permanent local library service is the goal toward which the State Library is working in its library organization work. Until more active work can be carried on by a library organizer, the traveling libraries will help fill a much felt need. The traveling library and allied services are described elsewhere in this report.

During the first year of the biennium small libraries so requesting were made "depositories" for material on book selection and library administration, and new material on these subjects was sent to them from time to time by the State Library. The borrowing library agreed to the following conditions:

1. To study all material diligently.
2. To use the book selection material as a basis for the selection of books purchased for the library.
3. To put into practice, so far as practicable, the directions contained in the material on library administration.
4. To report to the State Library annually and on the few other occasions when requested to do so, on blanks furnished by the State Library.
5. To work diligently, tactfully, and persistently for the improvement of library income, equipment, and service.

The supply of one thousand copies of the bulletin, *How to Secure a County Library*, printed in December, 1923, was exhausted by September, 1925. This quick turnover indicates the great demand for county library information. A revised edition was received from the printer in August, 1926, and also a reprint of the text of the County Library Law.

That the supply of one thousand copies of the *Texas Library Manual*, a compilation of library standards, printed in January, 1924, is practically exhausted is another strong indication of library interest in Texas. The Certain recommendations for high schools were adopted by the High School Classification Committee in the summer of 1925. This is a very encouraging recognition of the efforts of the State Librarian of that year, Miss Elizabeth H. West, in the ever-baffling problem of high school libraries.

GOOD BOOK WEEK. For Good Book Week during 1925 a children's book exhibit of three hundred books was held in the Library during the six days of Good Book Week continuously from eight in the morning to ten in the evening. The books were kindly lent by the University

of Texas Library. Books, posters, and ferns were attractively arranged by Miss Ryan. A number of book lists were distributed. The exhibit was in cooperation with the Austin Young Women's Christian Association and the local celebration of Good Book Week, and was held especially for the meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in the capitol.

Two articles on books for children were written by the Librarian for a local paper at the request of the Young Women's Christian Association. Another paper carried an extended account of the exhibit with emphasis on the desirable qualities in children's books.

The Librarian served as chairman of the local essay contest for children on *My Favorite Book and Why*.

The State Library for several years has acted as a central order agent for the libraries of the State in buying the annual issue of the *Bookshelf for Boys and Girls*. By this arrangement a reduced price is secured.

DIVISION OF WORK. In order to avoid duplication of work an agreement as to a careful division of labor was made in September, 1925, between the Extension Library of the University of Texas and the State Library. Requests outside of the field of one are referred to the other. Both libraries are too overcrowded with work to waste time in duplicating efforts.

SURVEY OF LIBRARY CONDITIONS. As part of the library extension work is the gathering and compiling of the library statistics of the State and the survey of library conditions. See the following paragraphs.

TABLES. Table I gives the statistics as furnished by the public libraries plus city and county areas. The population estimates were sent in by the reporting library. Where no estimate was sent in, the 1920 census figures were used.

Table II gives certain percentages computed by the State Library on the statistics in Table I and on statistics gained from mayors and county judges. These percentages may not be fair in every case to the individual library; for instance, Tarrant County was used as the basis for the Fort Worth figures, and no effort was made to distinguish between city and county percentages; Houston's buildings added greatly to her income; and El Paso is paying off a debt. On the whole, however, the figures may be taken as typical.

No.	Place	No. of sq. mi. in Town	County	No. of sq. mi. in County	Library	Librarian	Year ending	Population estimated	No. agencies	Days open during year	Hours Each Week	
											For reading	For lending
1	Abilene	5	Taylor	908	Carnegie L.	Mrs. W. L. Grogan	Jan. 31, 1924	10,274		309	72	54
2	Amarillo	18.5	Potter	934	Potter County Free L.	Mrs. J. Robberson	Aug. 31, 1925	27,000	11	363	75	75
3	Beaumont	11	Jefferson	920	Public L.	Miss Lucy T. Fuller	Too new for report					
4	Belton	1	Bell	1,083	Carnegie L.	Mrs. L. C. Meyer	Dec. 31, 1925	5,098	1	308	24	24
5	Brownwood	4	Brown	956	Carnegie L.	Mrs. Ira Hall	No report					
6	Bryan	5	Brazos	957	Carnegie L.	Willie Rogers	July 1, 1926	8,500	1	308	48	33
7	Cleburne	3.5	Johnson	740	Carnegie L.	Mrs. V. M. Fulton	Dec. 31, 1925	16,848	1	357½	58	54
8	Coleman	4	Coleman	1,290	Coleman Public L.	Mrs. J. A. B. Miller	Oct. 1, 1925	2,868		104	5	5
9	Corsicana	4	Navarro	1,060	Carnegie L.	Mrs. Mattie C. Houston	Dec. 31, 1925	18,000	2	360½	76	72
10	Dalhart	2	Dallam	1,532	Dallam County Free L.	Mrs. Iris C. Albright	Sept. 1, 1925	4,523	1	308	48	48
11	Dallas	26.44	Dallas	859	Dallas Public L.	Cleora Clanton	April 30, 1926	264,534	6	365	76	69
12	El Paso	13.5	El Paso	923	El Paso Public L.	Mrs. Maud D. Sullivan	Feb. 28, 1926	104,929	4	360	76	72
13	Electra	25-32	Wichita	604	Electra Public L.	Mrs. E. J. Torvie	April 1, 1926	10,000	1	239	51	53
14	Fort Worth	39.5	Tarrant	903	Carnegie L. and Tarrant County Free L.	Mrs. Charles Scheuber	Jan. 1, 1926	148,107	12	362	76	72
15	Gainesville	5	Cooke	902	Cooke County Free L.	Lillian Gunter	Aug. 31, 1926	25,667	81	307	48	48
16	Galveston	7.79	Galveston	395	Rosenberg L.	Frank C. Patten	Dec. 31, 1926	55,000	8	305	75	72
17	Graham	1	Young	875	Public L.	Mrs. J. E. Dowdle	Mar. 31, 1926	3,000	1	300	24	24
18	Greenville	5	Hunt	893	Carnegie L.	Ida Pennington	Aug. 1, 1926	15,000		361	57	54
19	Houston	40	Harris	1,654	Houston Public L.	Ruth Ideson	Dec. 31, 1925	164,954	27	361	76	76
20	Houston	40	Harris	1,654	Harris County Free L.	Ruth Underwood	Dec. 31, 1925	**50,000	68	305	53	53
21	Jefferson		Marion		Carnegie L.		No report					
22	Lockhart	1	Caldwell	511	Dr. Eugene Clark L.	May Camp				308	24	24
23	Lubbock		Lubbock	868	Lubbock County Free L.	Frances Hoyt Ford	Too new for report					
24	Memphis	2.25	Hall	901	Memphis Carnegie L.	Bird Presler	Dec. 31, 1925	5,000	1	308	19	19
25	Mexia	3.45	Limestone	974	Mexia Public L.	Mrs. Charles Alderman	Feb. 31, 1926	3,482	1	309	39	39
26	Palostine	4	Anderson	938	Carnegie L.	Georgie McMeans	Jan. 2, 1926	11,039	1	303	48	48
27	Pecos	3	Beeves	2,781	Carnegie L.	Mrs. Maggie Rose	June 1, 1926	1,445	1	313	24	24
28	Pittsburg	1.5	Camp	207	Carnegie L.	Clara Robinson	Jan. 1, 1925	2,540		104	8	8
29	Port Arthur	10	Jefferson	920	Gales Memorial L.	Mary E. Donaldson	Mar. 31, 1926	45,600	4	348	75	75
30	San Antonio	36	Bexar	1,263	Carnegie Public L.	Mrs. Frances Humphrey	May 31, 1926	198,069	30	357	79	75
31	Sherman	5.25	Grayson	942	Sherman Public L.	Myrtice Morrissett	April 1, 1926	20,000		311	70	66
32	Stamford	2.25	Jones	922	Stamford Carnegie L.	Blanche Baldwin	Dec. 1, 1925	5,000	1	312	36	36
33	Sulphur Springs	4	Hopkins	813	Carnegie L.	Fannie Huckney	Dec. 31, 1925	5,000	1	285	49	49
34	Terrell	6	Kaufman	834	Carnegie L.	Mrs. Thomas P. Armfield	No report					
35	Tyler	9	Smith	920	Tyler Public L.	Mrs. E. L. Marshall	Dec. 31, 1925	16,500	6	299	54	54
36	Uvalde	2.5	Uvalde	1,589	Public L.	Florence Anthon	***	4,000		104	7	7
37	Vernon	2	Wilbarger	928	Carnegie L. and County L.	Lillian Newton	Dec. 31, 1925	23,000	5	310	59	59
38	Waco	10.1	McLennan	1,049	Waco Public L.	Ethel Simmons	Dec. 31, 1925	50,000	4	361	72	76
39	Waxahachie	10	Ellis	975	Nicholas P. Sims L.	Mrs. Musa Dunn*	No report					
40	Wichita Falls	10.68	Wichita	604	Kemp Public L.	Lucia F. Powell	Mar. 31, 1926	55,000	5	361	75	72
41	Winnsboro	1.5	Wood	657	Carnegie L.	Mrs. Titus U. Bozman	Aug. 31, 1926	2,184	1	156	12	12

†About September 1, 1926, Harlingen, Kingsville and Uvalde converted their club and subscription libraries into municipal libraries.

††Resigned. Succeeded by Mrs. E. C. Hunter.

*Resigned. Succeeded by Miss Thelma Aldridge, September 1, 1926.

**Population outside of Houston.

***New. Report for January-July, 1926.

1Insurance five years.

2Includes \$308 from auditorium rent.

3Includes periodicals and binding.

4Includes salaries for library and janitor service.

5Approximately.

6During residence.

7Plus four part time assistants and three janitors.

8Insurance for this year already paid.

9Government documents not counted.

10Not counted.



TABLE 1. TEXAS TAX SUPPORTED MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY LIBRARIES AND ENDOWED PUBLIC LIBRARIES†

No. of staff	Total valuation of property	Increase						Use				Registration			Receipts				Finance						No.						
		Number of Volumes					Number of pamphlets (Est.) Total end of year	Number of periodicals and newspapers currently received			Total	Total number of volumes lent for home use.			Number of borrowers registered		Registration period, years	Receipts				Payments for Maintenance (Cents Omitted)									
		First of year (Catalogued)	Purchase	Gift, Exchange and Government documents	Lost or withdrawn	Total end of year		Titles	Copies	Adult		Juvenile	Fiction	During year	Total	Unexpended balance.		Local taxation (including interest)	Endowment fund net	Other sources	Total	Books	Periodicals	Binding		Salaries, library service	Salaries, janitors, insurance, heat and light	Other	Total		
3	\$ 50,000.00					10,613								990	4,500	6	\$ 319.16	\$ 3,500.00		\$ 285.65	\$ 4,104.00	\$ 600	\$ 100		\$ 1,740	\$ 709		\$ 3,149	1		
3	40,000.00	7,029	1,119	99	190	8,057	600	59		49,955	31,020	18,935	36,912	1,409	6,930	5		10,180.00		520.00	10,700.00	1,444	150	150	3,600	456	5,000	10,800	2		
1	25,000.00	4,442	242	272	12	4,826		38		16,214				229	2,948			66.00	900.00	410.00	1,366.00	562				39	756	1,357	3		
1		7,300	300	128	40	7,688		33						150	3,700					2,225.00	2,225.00	367			1,200	531	115	2,213	4		
3	40,000.00	12,276	545	209	39	12,991	2,512	99		25,980	19,200	6,770	20,996	664	5,736	6	13.00	4,202.00		237.00	4,453.00	937	217	211	1,934	649	498	4,450	5		
3	75,000.00	15,527	1,334	77	202	16,736		125		65,572	46,772	18,800	31,117		1,087		1,615	5,966		300.00	429.00	1,332	159	90	2,418	1,294	246	5,536	6		
1	4,200.00	3,471	316	89	32	3,844	155	7		13,088	7,759	5,329	8,479	317	1,343	2-2-3			16.00	1,679.00	436	9		1,200	33	33	1,679	7			
12	500,000.00	63,160	3,746	727	2,067	65,566	186	198		344,095	260,431	83,664	224,442	9,347	67,000	5	2,639.00	33,000.00	2,659.00	3,515.00	41,814.00	8,700	859	1,498	16,339	4,369	3,256	35,020	8		
12	150,000.00	31,763	2,672	439	1,577	33,297	257	269		167,894	128,720	39,174	97,597	4,368	11,764	5	168.00	37,304.00		1,793.00	139,266.00	5,397	1,077	1,187	17,689	2,627	11,250	39,332	9		
9	2,630.83	None	1,537	1,063	17	2,583	608	59		23,173	13,183	9,990	18,986		1,668	5		1,200.00		2,117.00	4,317.00	1,681	137		1,289	150	761	4,021	10		
2	37,772.00	12,162	1,148	163	562	13,044	3,917	73	148	53,720				1,038	5,311	4		5,000.00		268.00	5,268.00	1,135	389	127	2,016	519	998	5,186	11		
13	946,472.27	74,893	643	557	350	75,743	61,000	413	541	91,283	47,699	43,584	51,685	1,561	32,429	16			34,207.00			34,207.00	1,458	904	995	16,028	3,720	10,016	5,186	12	
2	2,500.00	14,200	775	475		15,450		69		16,987	8,493	8,494		300	1,022	1		1,200.00		99.00	1,299.00	389			600	110	180	1,280	13		
20	759,000.00	98,279	7,990	1,117	2,689	104,697		346	417	59,110	34,450	24,660	37,310	1,180	5,000	3		4,000.00		153.00	4,153.00	1,000			2,250	541	28	3,819	14		
5	30,000.00	17,445	4,222	230	2,084	19,813	354	21	24	441,754	242,766	198,988	299,229	8,968	41,503	23	8,311.00	53,311.00	250.00	3,760.00	65,663.00	11,148	1,297	3,736	27,761	4,824	13,968	62,739	15		
1	50,000.00	6,000	36	24						140,340	52,732	87,608	98,498	1,000	3,500	27		17,000.00			17,000.00	5,666			8,530	29	2,802	16,998	16		
1	15,000.00	3,981	121	90	159	3,945	1,100	9																							17
2	12,000.00				147	3,243	229	19		8,613	6,321	2,292	8,139	791	791	3	94.00	837.00		1,127.00	1,139.00	82	17		300	158	580	1,139	18		
1	20,500.00	5,454	403	90	100	5,847	398	16		22,798	16,372	6,426	10,016		1,268		279.00	1,250.00		573.00	3,146.00	526	9		1,571	289	696	3,146	19		
4	128,540.00	13,737	4,687	115	839	17,822	4,040	143		24,304				427	4,974	3	197.00	1,800.00		53.00	2,571.00	661	38		960	463	142	2,266	20		
13		66,541	8,550	1,219	1,106	75,204	25,159	236	272	2,141	Not kept separate			6,084	19,427	13	210.00	600.00		54.00	863.00	316		32	518	83	52	814	21		
2	30,000.00	7,205	235	295	366	7,389	1,685	53		99,288	64,496	34,792	74,466	1,120	5,321	4	107.00	5,896.00	1,503.00	303.00	10,539.00	18 3,057			54					22	
1	20,000.00	3,744	236	59	162	3,877		12		266,620	170,636	95,984	173,828	8,795	24,844	3	3,091.00	34,046.00	1,349.00	5,824.00	44,810.00	15,239	882	2,085	17,158	3,619	6,604	10,434	23		
1	15,000.00	3,332	154	226						33,443	21,388	12,055	4,334	186	5,284	5	106.00	2,400.00		329.00	2,836.00	527	114		1,272	351	100	2,366	24		
3	62,000.00	11,734	644	325	316	12,473		48		13,023				371	5,457	16		1,301.00		296.00	1,598.00	315	34	24	795	290	139	1,598	25		
1	25,000.00	2,096	150	36	201	6,088	300	35		18,490	11,608	6,882	11,357	367				1,000.00	500.00	308.00	1,808.00	215	15		540	320		1,000	26		
1	25,000.00	5,732	510	47				2		50,246	34,231	16,015	42,080	1,351	6,435	3	320.00	4,940.00		536.00	5,796.00	18 1,061		271	3,296	510	599	5,739	27		
8	50,000.00	28,956	2,833	186	1,171	30,204		171	185	3,006				63	1,115	3		600.00		39.00	639.00				300	30				28	
4	62,500.00	11,921	3,130	28	78	15,083		132		18,127				1,320	2,820	2	144.00	2,400.00		317.00	2,861.00	18 600			1,493	469	85	2,649	29		
1	12,600.00	3,085	86	75		3,168	175	8		164,830	108,370	56,460	70%	4,750	12,987	3	1,144.00	15,374.00		4,210.00	20,730.00	4,494	452	974	7,690	1,952	3,396	19,727	30		
										82,287	50,195	32,092	3,000	2,528	7,271	3		12,160.00		1,140.00	13,300.00	4,275	223	1,000	4,620	1,897	359	12,376	31		
										6,000	2,000	4,000		85	750	38		190.00		220.00	410.00	200			130	80	200	410	32	32	

†Includes \$7,815.33 interest and sinking fund, leaving \$29,488.95 as income for use.
 ‡Plus three part time assistants.
 †Including 377 magazines bound and 98 missing volume found.
 †Plus volunteers.
 †Plus two part time assistants.
 †No general re-registration.
 †Plus one part time assistant.
 †Includes periodicals.
 †Including 53 half days.
 †Plus six part time assistants, one janitor, one part time janitor, and five part time pages.
 † Realty Sites Buildings Colored Branch
 Main.....\$ 100,000.00 \$ 505,000.00 \$ 25,000.00
 H. H..... 7,000.00 51,000.00
 N. S..... 20,000.00 51,000.00
 †Excluding colored branch.
 †Including colored branch.

‡Plus three half time assistants in central office. Over county, six part time assistants, 61 volunteers.
 †Estimated.
 †Not catalogued.
 †Approximately. Registration only in a few communities.
 †Includes periodicals and binding.
 †In court house budget.
 †Interest on \$3,000 of endowment all that can be used for upkeep.
 †1925, year of re-registration.
 †Due to gift at close of year.
 †Seventy-two in July and August.
 †Four part time assistants including pages.
 †Including janitor.
 †Including 86 added by binding.
 †Eleven plus summer assistant.
 †As long as borrower desires.
 †Includes books, periodicals, and insurance.



TABLE II. SOME ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL STATISTICS CONCERNING TEXAS PUBLIC LIBRARIES

No.	Place	Library	Per capita circulation	Cost to circulate a book	Per capita income	Assessed valuation of city (or of county when Library serves entire county)	Valuation is what per cent of true cash value	Income from taxation equivalent to what tax on the \$100
1	Abilene	Carnegie L.			\$0.10			
2	Amarillo	Potter County Free L.	1.85	\$0.22	.39	25,000,000	.25	\$.04
3	Beaumont	Public L.				52,000,000	.75	
4	Belton	Carnegie L.	3.18	.08	.27			
5	Brownwood	Carnegie L.				10,350,000	.25	
6	Bryan	Carnegie L.			.26	4,633,000	.40	
7	Cleburne	Carnegie L.	1.54	.17	.26			
8	Coleman	Coleman Public L.			.15	2,800,000	.40	.005
9	Corsicana	Carnegie L.	3.64	.08	.42	13,282,000	.45	.043
10	Dalhart	Dallam County Free L.	2.89	.13	.37	10,000,000	.66	.02
11	Dallas	Dallas Public L.	1.3	.10	.16	240,825,000	.50	.014
12	El Paso	El Paso Public L.	1.6	.23	.37	101,658,870	.70	.037
13	Electra	Electra Public L.	2.32	.17	.43	3,890,000	.50	.03
14	Fort Worth	Carnegie L. and Tarrant County Free L.	.87	.25	.22	147,810,670	.60	.013
15	Gamesville	Cooke County Free L.	2.09	.10	.20	16,190,000	.40	.031
16	Galveston	Rosenberg L.	1.66	.36	.62	57,000,000	.75	
17	Graham	Public L.	5.66	.08	.43	3,000,000	.60	.04
18	Greenville	Carnegie L.	4.85	.06	.33	12,266,000	.50	.033
19	Houston	Houston Public L.	3.68	.14	.39	215,350,200	.50	.025
20	Houston	Harris County Free L.	1.05	.12	.34	47,800,000	.50	.036
21	Jefferson	Carnegie L.						
22	Lockhart	Dr. Eugene Clark L.						
23	Lubbock	Lubbock County Free L.				19,500,000	.33	
24	Memphis	Memphis Carnegie L.	1.72	.13	.22	3,200,000	.70	.026
25	Mexia	Mexia Public L.	6.6	.14	.90	6,250,000	.70	.02
26	Palestine	Carnegie L.	2.2	.09	.23			
27	Pecos	Carnegie L.			.60	1,700,000	.60	.035
28	Pittsburg	Carnegie L.			.02			
29	Port Arthur	Gates Memorial L.	2.18	.105	.23	30,000,000	.70	.02
30	San Antonio	Carnegie Public L.	1.35	.17	.14			
31	Sherman	Sherman Public L.	1.67	.07	.32	13,415,152	.40	.0096
32	Stamford	Stamford Carnegie L.	2.6	.12	.30	3,600,000	.60	.036
33	Sulphur Springs	Carnegie L.	2.32	.09	.36	2,606,000	.40	.038
34	Terrell	Carnegie L.						
35	Tyler	Tyler Public L.	3.12	.115	.35	10,541,037	.65	.047
36	Uvalde	Public L.	.65		.14	2,500,000	.66	.024
37	Vernon	Carnegie L. and County L.	.79	.145	.11	24,248,000	.33	.01
38	Waco	Waco Public L.	3.29	.12	.41	58,500,000	.66	.026
39	Waxahachie	Nicholas P. Sims L.				7,000,000	.30	
40	Wichita Falls	Kemp Public L.	1.49	.15	.24	45,100,060	.60	.027
41	Winnboro	Carnegie L.	2.75	.07	.18	1,500,000		.012

a—Land 77 per cent, improvements 50 per cent, personal 60 per cent.

SUBSCRIPTION AND CLUB LIBRARIES. Subscription and Club Libraries open to the public are in the following places: Alpine, Brewster County; Austin, Travis County; Bay City, Matagorda County; Blessing, Matagorda County; Bonham, Fannin County; Brenham, Washington County; Bowie, Montague County; Brownfield, Terry County; Brownsville, Cameron County; Canadian, Hemphill County; Cisco, Eastland County; Clarendon, Donley County; Del Rio, Val Verde County; Eastland, Eastland County; Hamilton, Hamilton County; Haskell, Haskell County; Hereford, Deaf Smith County; Hico, Hamilton County; Kerens, Navarro County; Lancaster, Dallas County; Lufkin, Angelina County; McAllen, Hidalgo County; Marshall, Harrison County; Midland, Midland County; Orange, Orange County; Paris, Lamar County; Plainview, Hale County; Ranger, Eastland County; Rising Star, Eastland County; San Marcos, Hays County; Sweetwater, Nolan County; Temple, Bell County (also has \$560 per year from an \$8,000 endowment); Texarkana, Bowie County; Tulia, Swisher County.

Statistics are on file for most of these libraries, but are too incomplete, on the whole, to justify any statement regarding the expenditures, circulation, etc., of all such libraries.

NEW COUNTY LIBRARIES. The Lubbock County Library was provided for by the commissioners court the second week in May, 1926, on petition of a majority of the qualified voters of the county, and was opened for service on January 1, 1926, and the present librarian took charge about March 15, 1926. Total population of county, 11,096, including 4,051 at county seat; area of county 868 square miles. The circulation in Slayton jumped from 71 in April, 1926, to 238 in May, 1926, and to 355 in June, 1926; in Idalou from 99 in April to 235 in May and to 340 in June; in Shallowater from 120 in April to 173 in May and to 179 in June; and in Lubbock from 2,176 in April to 2,206 in May and to 2,503 in June.

The commissioners court of Denton County voted \$3,500 a year for a county library in May, 1926, on their own initiative. The library is due to open January 1, 1926. Total county population, 35,355, including 7,626 at county seat; area of county, 952 square miles. Assessed valuation of county is \$21,000,000. The State is scething with interest in the establishment of county libraries, and women's clubs have and are agitating establishment in a number of counties.

NEW MUNICIPAL LIBRARIES. The librarian of the Tyrrell Public Library of Beaumont reported for work January 6, 1926. The first book was circulated September 20, 1926. Expenditures January 1 to July 1, 1926, including \$20,651.04 for remodeling, were \$35,870.90, with a balance available July 1, 1926, of \$27,960.18. The tax rate for 1925 was five cents on the \$100 valuation of property, six cents for 1926, and there will be an automatic increase of one cent a year until ten cents on the \$100 valuation is reached. The budget for 1926 and 1927 is based on a five-cent rate for six months and a six-cent rate for six months. This estimated budget will be \$35,000 minus the delinquent tax, leaving a total of \$33,500. The per capita for 1926/27 is approximately \$.609. The 1920 census gives Beaumont a popula-

tion of 40,422, but it is estimated that the oil boom has increased the population in 1926 to 55,000. See also under *New Library Buildings*.

Electra, a new public library, is listed with its figures in Table I.

The libraries sponsored for a number of years by women's clubs in Kingsville (see also under *New Library Buildings*), and in Uvalde about September 1, 1926, joined the list of tax supported public libraries. The Library Association of Harlingen about September 7, 1926, donated the library to the city so that the city might provide larger quarters for it.

The will of the late S. M. Dunlap left to Italy, Texas, \$200,000 for a public library. Delay in settling the estate has prevented the establishment of the library. It is hoped that court action will not be necessary for an interpretation of the will.

NEW SUBSCRIPTION AND CLUB LIBRARIES. The Texarkana Library, supported by \$3,000 from the community chest, was formally opened December 2, 1925. See also under *New Library Buildings*.

Other new subscription libraries have been opened in Alpine, Austin, Bonham, Clarendon (sponsored by the Pathfinder Club), Del Rio, and Hico.

In Ranger the public and high school libraries have been consolidated. Though housed in the high school basement, the library is a subscription library.

NEW LIBRARY BUILDINGS. Beaumont. The Tyrrell Public Library is housed in a remodeled church, the gift of Captain W. C. Tyrrell. As presented to the city the building cost \$70,000, the remodeling \$28,462.29, and additional property bought by the city, \$30,000, making a total of \$128,462.29 for the building and site. Actual work began on the building January 21, 1926, and the formal opening of the building was on September 16, 1926.

Denton. College of Industrial Arts. The Frank M. Bralley Memorial Library to cost about \$150,000 is under construction.

Fort Worth. The Mary Couts Burnett Library, the gift of Mrs. Mary Couts Burnett to the Texas Christian University, was erected at a cost of \$150,000. It was dedicated and formally opened February 27, 1925.

Houston. For buildings and sites the Houston Public Library spent during the year \$580,440.94, with a balance still to be paid of \$75,000 on sites. The cost of the central building was \$505,336.85; of the North Side Branch, \$51,382.95, and of the Houston Heights Building, \$51,221.14, totaling \$607,940.94 spent for buildings, including the stack room of the Central Library, but including no equipment. For sites, \$47,500 was paid.

All three buildings are lovely buildings, well adapted to the library purposes for which designed. The Central Library, designed by Cram, is an unusually beautiful and commodious building of Spanish Renaissance style, constructed of stone, brick, and tile. The cost of the completed building as now planned will be approximately \$750,000. Three units have already been constructed and formally opened.

Houston. Harris County. Goose Creek branch building. The site and building, costing \$10,000, were the gift of Mr. R. S. Sterling of

Houston to the city of Goose Creek. The equipment cost approximately \$1,500, and with the exception of about \$250, was paid for by entertainments of various types held in the community. The building was opened in the fall of 1925.

Kingsville. Just after the close of the biennium, a contract was let for the Robert J. Kleberg Library to cost \$10,984.

Marshall. The library building is the results of the efforts of the City Federation of Women's Clubs, consisting of six different clubs. The building cost \$30,000, exclusive of furniture. The site is valued at \$20,000, making a total of \$50,000 for site and building. The clubs expect to have the necessary furniture and to open the building by November 1, 1926.

Texarkana. The Texarkana Library Association bought a two-story residence at the cost of \$12,000. This was formally opened on December 2, 1925.

PREPARATION OF LIBRARY WORKERS IN TEXAS. Though prepared several months ago, the following statistics are typical:

Number of libraries reporting.....	114
Number of persons covered.....	192
High school education plus summer work in library science.....	23
High school education plus the completion of a one-year curriculum in library science.....	7
College education plus the completion of a one-year curriculum in library science, including six who have both the B. A. and B. L. S. degrees.....	38
Other preparation or combination of preparation:	
Library training of some kind not included in above groups as apprenticeship, correspondence course, normal school plus summer library school, one to three years of college work plus summer library school, etc.....	30
College education only without library training of any kind.....	42
No library training of any kind nor a B. A. degree (some have had one to three years in college).....	52

NEGROES. Special provision for library service to negroes is made in the Cooke, Harris, Potter, and Wilbarger County Libraries.

There is special municipal service in Corsicana, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, and San Antonio. The negroes have endowed service in Galveston as part of the Rosenberg Library Service. In Marshall, the negroes have a Carnegie Library Building and endowed service. In other places, as Belton, Cleburne, and Waco, occasional work is done with negroes by the municipal libraries.

OTHER LIBRARIES. The Social Research Library of the Civic Federation of Dallas and Institute for Social Education contains 18,000 pamphlets, 1,400 bound volumes, and 30 periodicals. The fiscal year ends November 30. Further information may be obtained from the librarian, Mrs. Ruth Rice, or from Mr. Elmer Scott, Executive Secretary, Civic Federation of Dallas, 2419 Maple Avenue.

The Texaco Company has library units at their West Dallas Refinery, Dallas, 1,033 books; Port Neches Refinery, Port Neches, 1,758

books; and Case and Package Plant, Port Arthur, 634 books. Their producing camp at Parks has lent 570 books to the public school at Parks.

The American Merchant Marine Library Association has a branch in Galveston, G. W. Williams, librarian.

At the aviation supply and repair depot at Duncan Field, San Antonio, called the San Antonio Air Intermediate Depot, the Federal government maintains a library of 6,912 volumes for the 600 employees and their families and for the twelve officers. Librarian, Edward Day.

The Library of the United States Veterans' Hospital, Legion, Kerr County, Texas, has 4,986 volumes in its general library, 261 in its medical library, and about 1,000 pamphlets. Fiscal year ends June 30. Librarian, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Creglow.

Libraries in grade and high schools, municipal junior colleges, and State institutions are not covered by this biennial report. Table III gives a few statistics for college and university libraries.

TABLE III. TEXAS COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES
(Municipal Junior Colleges Omitted)

Name of School	City	County	Librarian	Number of volumes	Year ends
Agricultural and Mechanical College.....	College Station	Brazos	Thomas F. Mayo	28,328	Sept. 1, 1926
Austin College L.	Sherman	Grayson	Mrs. R. R. Howell	5,500	May 1, 1926
Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary	Austin	Travis	Robert F. Gribble	16,000	Aug. 31, 1926
Baylor College L.	Belton	Bell	Jessie Louise Kennedy	47,881	Sept. 30, 1925
Baylor University L.	Waco	McLennan	John K. Streckor	4,152	Sept. 31, 1925
Baylor University College of Medicine	Dallas	Dallas	Margaret S. Turritt	8,000	Oct. 1, 1926
Burleson College	Greenville	Hunt	Frances Melton*	16,368	Sept. 1, 1926
Clarendon College	Clarendon	Donley	Mrs. Isaac W. Wade	124,000	Aug. 31, 1926
College of Industrial Arts	Denton	Denton	Caroline Meyer	8,000	Sept., 1926
Daniel Baker College	Brownwood	Brown	Student help	11,513	Sept., 1926
East Texas State Teachers College	Commerce	Hunt	Elizabeth Malone	12,360	May 31, 1926
Glenn Memorial College	Brenham	Washington	T. R. Havins	10,508	Sept. 1, 1926
Howard Payne College	Brownwood	Brown	Sister M. Frederica	10,056	Sept. 1, 1926
Incarnate Word College	San Antonio	Bexar	Dorothy Lee	10,855	June 30, 1926
John Tarleton Agricultural College	Stephenville	Erath	Lavilla C. Bilger	3,700	June 1, 1926
Kidd Key College	Sherman	Grayson	Mrs. D. E. Hawk, Jr.	8,500	Sept. 1, 1926
Lon Morris College	Jacksonville	Cherokee	Mrs. W. B. McKeon	4,000	June 30, 1926
McMurry College	Abilene	Taylor	John H. Hill	4,138	Aug. 31, 1926
Marshall College	Marshall	Harrison	Mrs. B. E. McClannahan	20,824	Aug. 31, 1926
North Texas Agricultural College	Arlington	Tarrant	Mrs. Pearl C. McCracken	15,524	June 1, 1926
North Texas State Teachers College	Denton	Denton	Sister M. Incarnata	4,000	Aug. 31, 1926
Our Lady of the Lake College	San Antonio	Bexar	Alice C. Dean	4,656	June, 1926
Prairie View Normal and Industrial College (Col.)	Prairie View	Waller	Louise Childress	9,200	June 30, 1926
Rice Institute	Houston	Harris	John Singer	21,779	Aug. 31, 1926
Saint Mary's College	Dallas	Dallas	Mrs. Beatrice Craig	12,769	June 1, 1926
Saint Mary's College	San Antonio	Bexar	Ann D. Kirven	5,425	June 8, 1926
Sam Houston State Teachers College	Huntsville	Walker	Dorothy Amanu	150,000	Aug. 31, 1926
Simmons College	Abilene	Taylor	Ernest Bryan Jackson	22,779	Aug. 31, 1926
South Texas State Teachers College	Kingsville	Kleberg	L. R. Elliott	9,505	Dec. 31, 1925
Southern Methodist University	Dallas	Dallas	Mrs. Margaret McKennon	27,345	June 8, 1926
Southwest Texas State Teachers College	San Marcos	Hayes	Loulein Harris	8,334	Aug. 31, 1926
Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary	Seminary Hill	Tarrant	Zona Peek	8,202	Aug. 31, 1926
Southwestern University	Georgetown	Williamson	Arthur R. Curry	24,848	June 1, 1926
Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College	Nacogdoches	Nacogdoches	Mary McGuire	7,466	June 1, 1926
Sul Ross State Teachers College	Alpine	Brewster	Elizabeth H. West	6,717	Aug. 31, 1926
Texas Christian University	Fort Worth	Tarrant	Sarah Walton	11,553	June 1, 1926
Texas Presbyterian College	Millford	Ellis	Theresa Robert Simms	9,300	Sept. 21, 1925
Texas Technological College	Lubbock	Lubbock	E. W. Winkler	416,523	Aug. 31, 1926
Texas Woman's College	Fort Worth	Tarrant	Mrs. M. H. Webb	2,631	Aug. 31, 1926
Trinity University	Waxabach	Ellis			
University of Texas	Austin	Travis			
University of Texas College of Mines	El Paso	El Paso			

University of Texas Extension Loan L.	Austin	Travis	LeNoir Dimmitt	**	Aug. 31, 1926
University of Texas Medical Department	Galveston	Galveston	Elizabeth D. Runge	12,720	Aug. 31, 1925
Wesley College	Greenville	Hunt	Mrs. Kate A. Burmann	3,448	June 1, 1926
West Texas State Teachers College	Canyon	Randall	Tennessee Malone	17,000	Aug. 31, 1926
Westminster College	Tehacana	Limestone	Addie Mae Willis	5,000	June 1, 1926
Wiley University (Col.)	Marshall	Harrison			

*Librarian for 1927 --Carrie Hamilton. †Plus 6,000 pamphlets. ‡Plus 10,000 pamphlets.

**Number of Permanent Package Libraries 2,258; magazine clippings and pamphlets not in permanent libraries 308,400; number of files of magazines from which articles are clipped as needed 69; number of books 1,348; number of plays 532; number of declamation sets 1,346; number of study outlines 691.

ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN AND CATALOGUER

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TRAVELING LIBRARIES. A traveling library may be borrowed by any community upon the application of two resident citizens, or the application of a club. In either case the library must be open to residents of the entire community at regular times. An application blank for citizens, or a club, will be furnished upon request. The libraries are fixed collections of fifty books each, made up with the view of meeting the various needs and tastes of an entire community. The books may be kept for three months with the privilege of renewal for a second three months if desired. There are approximately one-third children's and young persons' books, one-third adult fiction, and one-third books of non-fiction of general interest such as history, travels, vocational books, literature, fine arts, science. The traveling libraries are lent free of charge. The only expense to the borrower is transportation to and from the Library.

During the biennium closing August 31, 1926, six new traveling libraries have been added to the traveling library collection. This makes a total of forty-one libraries. These libraries have gone into eighty-four communities and have circulated 127 times, sixty-one times the first year, and sixty-six times the second year. The majority of the libraries have been kept in school houses, but they have also been kept elsewhere,—forty-one in school houses, two in stores, three in residences, one each in a bank, Red Cross headquarters, club house, court house, community house, and chamber of commerce.

The following places have received libraries during the biennium:

Aspermont, Austin, Big Foot, Blanco, Blanca, Bloomington, Brady, Bronson, Bronte, Brownsville, Byers, Caldwell, Clinton, Comfort, Concrete, Cooledge, Courtney, Cuero, Currie, Cypress Mills, Dale, Danbury, Darrouzette, Dilley, Dumas, Dundee, Electra, El Paso, Estacado, Farnsworth, Follett, Fort Davis, Fort Stockton, Gardendale, Gatesville, Gladewater, Hallsville, Happy, Henderson, Hico, Iago, Indian Gap, Inez, Jonah, Junction, Kingsville, Ledbetter, Lueders, McDade, Marathon, Marfa, Maxwell, Meyersville, Mineral Wells, Mont Belvieu, Murchison, Nela, Pawnee, Pear Valley, Pecan Gap, Perryton, Pleasanton, Quitaque, Rockwall, Sagerton, Saint Elmo, Salado, San Augustine, San Leon, Shady Grove, Shiner, Spearman, Streetman, Uhland, Union, Valentine, Valley Mills, Voca, Webb School, Weslaco, White Deer, Wills Point, Wilson, Yoakum.

The following are some expressions of appreciation from borrowers:

"I thank you very, very much for the use of the library. Four different schools used the books. The teachers were grateful for the use of the books, for you know books are scarce in most rural schools. We hope to establish a county library. Again, I thank you for the books."

"Our little town greatly enjoyed the books, especially the children. We are anxiously awaiting arrival of our next number."

"We have decided to return this library and ask for another as we found after checking up that the books had been well read. They surely are a wonderful selection for which we give you credit. Your heart

of hearts would rejoice if you could see the eagerness of our many readers as they find such good reading in our library."

"The Committee asks that you send another library. As many books as possible."

"We have enjoyed the Library a great deal and have found it profitable in many ways. We shall want another next year."

A. L. A. BOOKS. The Library has several thousand books that will be given to schools and communities wherever they will be useful and where the receiver will pay the transportation charges. These are books that were placed in the State Library by the American Library Association when the war camp libraries were disorganized after the World War. These books have been picked over, but there are still many good books left. Among these are some histories, a little literature, books on agriculture, mathematics suitable for every grade, foreign languages, vocational and technical subjects, non-sectarian religious books, many on the World War, a number of sets of Everyman Encyclopedia in twelve small volumes. During the biennium 1838 of these books have been distributed to nineteen places,—Claude, Electra, Fentress, Hamilton, Hico, Indian Gap, Jonah, Junction, Kenedy, Luling, Maxwell, Mineral Wells, Plainview, Quitaque, Sherman, Spearman, Texarkana, Tyler, Uvalde.

CATALOGUING. The cataloguing is done by one person who gives full-time to it, and three other members of the staff who devote only part-time to the work. During the last year 2,726 books, 4,433 pamphlets, and sixty-two maps were catalogued, totaling 7,221 pieces, 5,271 of these pieces being catalogued by the full-time cataloguer. All of the United States government documents from 1917 to the present are now catalogued, but as these documents are continually being received the work of cataloguing them is endless. Some documents prior to 1917 have also been catalogued.

One thousand three hundred and three books and pamphlets in the unclassified Texas collection were listed by author, title, and subject. A fuller account of this is given in the report of the Legislative Reference Division.

BINDING. There have been bound during the biennium, 138 newspapers, 90 books, 92 Texas documents, 448 periodicals, making a total of 768 volumes. In addition to this a large amount of material has been put into pamphlet binders. This is less expensive and is satisfactory for material which is not subjected to very hard usage. The preparation for the bindery and putting in pamphlet binders is done by a part-time assistant who spends about three hours daily at the work. One thousand one hundred and thirty-six hours were spent in this work.

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE SERVICE¹CHARLOTTE RYAN, *Legislative Reference Librarian*

PURPOSE. The purpose of the Legislative Reference Division is to make the work of the legislator as easy, as effective, and as satisfactory to him, to his constituents, and to the State generally, as far as the furnishing of information will achieve these results.

LABOR SAVING, A CHARACTERISTIC. An outstanding characteristic is the labor the Division saves for the individual legislator. In finding out what states have what laws on a given subject, for instance, it is often necessary to consult more than 275 volumes of laws. No legislator would even have the time to do this. The Division not only makes the investigation for him, but it presents the inquirer with a typed copy of the laws found, or better still when feasible, with a digest of them.

COMPILATIONS. Compilations of laws, of statistics, and of other information are made for legislators and for heads of State departments and institutions. Occasionally, when time permits, the Division makes compilations for other interested citizens.

The outstanding compilation begun during the preceeding biennium and completed for the 1925 legislature is *Expenditures and Receipts of the National Government in Texas for Each of the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1917-1923*, a typed statistical compilation of 122 pages, including a half-page summary, preface, table of contents, and index.

Other compilations of importance made for the 1925 legislature are listed in Appendix E.

FACILITIES FOR QUICK REFERENCE. In addition to compiling material the Division is especially well prepared for quick reference work with its pamphlet collection of 30,000 minutely classified pieces, and with its up-to-date collection of reference books. A complete set of all the laws in force in the various States and in the United States, the catalogued collection of departmental federal publications since 1913, earlier uncatalogued federal publications together with a good run of the serial set, a fair collection of documents of other states, and a few foreign laws constitute invaluable collections for legislative reference service.

INDEXES TO BILLS. The Division during the 1925 legislature prepared its usual subject and numerical indexes to bills and resolutions introduced. At the close of the session a mimeographed list was prepared of all bills passed. Late in the session a mimeographed index was prepared showing the status, at the end of March 6, of all social legislation bills introduced, excluding educational bills. These bills were grouped under fourteen large heads with appropriate sub-heads.

Subject indexes to bills introduced have been prepared by the Division beginning with 1911. In making these indexes one horn of the dilemma required that the indexes be made only for current use. The other horn was that if made as an index should be made, with a view

¹The report for the first year was prepared by Miss Rogan, Legislative Reference Librarian until September, 1925. The report for the second year was prepared by Miss Ryan.

of past and future indexes for consolidation purposes, each current legislature would long be over before the current index was available. In the onslaught of inquiries concerning current bills self-defense chose the first horn. In this penny-wise, pound-foolish policy forced upon the Division by the lack of funds, there is not yet even the beginning of a consolidated index to bills introduced in the Texas legislature despite the large amount of labor and time spent in bill-indexing.

DISTRIBUTION OF BILLS AND JOURNALS. During the 1925 session the separately printed bills and resolutions and the daily journals were sent twice a week to 49 libraries in the State, and 104 libraries out of the State.

TIME SPENT IN INDEXING AND DISTRIBUTING BILLS.—A conservative estimate of the time spent in filing, mailing, and indexing the bills and journals for the regular 1925 session is 372 hours.

INDEX TO SCHOOL LAWS. During the preceding biennium the Division prepared, and has since kept up to date, an index to school district laws passed since 1905. As there is no printed consolidated index to these laws since 1905, the Library index is especially valuable for quick reference.

COLLECTING AND CLASSIFYING MATERIAL. The usual selecting, ordering, and classifying of pamphlets and other ephemeral material was carried on throughout the biennium.

INDEX TO POETRY. As an illustration of the general work carried by the Division is cited the author and title index to poetry not indexed by Granger. Some little work was added to this index before and after the legislative rush.

REVIEW OF 1925 LEGISLATION. A review of the 1925 Texas legislation, prepared by the Division, was published in the *Southwestern Political and Social Science Quarterly*, September, 1925, pages 167-178.

REVISION OF PAMPHLET COLLECTION. The chief accomplishment of the "off" legislative year 1925/26, has been the revision of the entire collection of pamphlet material on the 126 shelves belonging to the Legislative Reference Division. The pamphlets on those subjects in which interest has abated were added to the "brown band" collection in the basement. Out-of-date material was discarded whenever considered not worthy to be kept for historical purposes. In the process of revision the aim has been to take note of those subjects on which there was in the collection no recently published material, and an effort is being made to order as many up-to-date publications as can be obtained on such subjects. Some seven thousand pamphlets were "revised" in this work.

INDEX OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION. Since March of 1926 an attempt has been made to keep a rough index of legislation that may be introduced in the Fortieth Legislature. Information as to what may be proposed has been gained by a careful reading of the Dallas Morning News and from other sources. An index to such legislation that may be proposed by various bodies and individuals is being kept on loose

sheets and will be thrown into better shape as the session nears, if it is found to be useful.

REFERENCE WORK. The amount of reference work, both in general fields, and in its own special field, handled by the Legislative Reference Division through correspondence has been considerable. Requests have come in more especially from the citizens of the State who desire the information requested, as a general rule, for the conduct of their business. There have also been numerous inquiries from people in other states in the Union. The type of question varies. A certain investment firm in Dallas, wishing to pass upon a loan to a certain Central American country, requested a copy of the Constitution of that country. This was supplied. Another state, contemplating holding a constitutional convention, desired to know the date of holding and the cost of holding the last constitutional convention in Texas. The enumeration of requests for information that have been handled would be *ad infinitum*. The field covered was comprehensive, and in almost every case the request was filled. Sample lists of general and legislative reference questions answered are included in Appendices C and D.

CATALOGUING TEXAS HISTORY MATERIAL DURING 1925/26. A large piece of work undertaken and completed by the Legislative Reference Librarian was the listing of 1,303 books and pamphlets of Texas history material hitherto unclassified and uncatalogued, and hence difficult to be used. The pamphlets, many of which are rare and either difficult or impossible of replacement, were bound in pamphlet binders. The listing was done on cards under author, subject and sometimes title, with the result that the material is now easily available for reference purposes. A shelf-list was also made.

INDEXING OF QUARTERLY. A smaller piece of work undertaken and completed up to date by this division is the subject indexing on cards of the *Southwestern Political and Social Science Quarterly*. It is purposed that this indexing shall be continued from year to year by the Division.

LIST OF LABOR LEGISLATION. A chronological list of all labor bills introduced in the Texas Legislature since Texas became a State in 1845 was begun by the Division several years ago. Revision of the list was begun in the spring of 1925 and was practically completed during the off year. An index is yet to be prepared.

ARCHIVE SERVICE

HARRIET SMITHOR, ARCHIVIST¹

ACTIVITIES. The official activities of the present archivist, which began June 15, 1925, have consisted first in rendering assistance to students and others within the State and from other states of the Union by answering miscellaneous questions relating to Texas history and by locating materials in that field. Such questions have ranged

¹Succeeded Miss Katherine Elliott, June 15, 1925.

from those that could be answered after only a slight investigation to others that required hours of research. They have been answered as fully as the time and resources at the disposal of the archivist permitted. Not until manuscript collections are classified and calendared will it be possible to handle with thoroughness and dispatch all the pleas for assistance addressed to the Archive Division.

Aid has been given to veterans and widows of veterans of Ranger and Confederate forces applying for Federal or State pensions by furnishing claimants with evidence of muster, service, and discharge. To expedite this work the index by individuals of all muster rolls of Texas volunteer companies which served on the frontier of the State against Indian depredations, begun several years ago by Miss Katherine Elliott, has been completed for the years 1851 to 1861, and 1866 to 1884, inclusive. The majority of these companies have been admitted to pension under the Federal Pension Act of March 4, 1917. The miscellaneous muster rolls of Confederate forces and frontier forces in the Confederate service from 1861-1865, already indexed by commanding officers, are in process of indexing by individuals.

Translation of current correspondence, newspaper articles, etc., from the Spanish have been made during the last year and a half of the biennium as follows: For the Executive Office, 105; Board of Pardon Advisers, 45; State Health Department, 20; Industrial Accident Board, 2; Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2; State Banking Department, 1. A few translations from the French and the German were made for the Executive Office.

MAKING RESOURCES AVAILABLE. The indexing of Ranger and Confederate muster rolls stated above has comprised a part of the work of making more accessible the Library's collection of historical materials. Transcripts have been made of the Consultation Papers, November, 1835-February, 1836, and the Army Papers, 1835-1836, for the twofold purpose of facilitating their use by students and of prolonging the life of the documents themselves, by protecting them from the inevitable wear and tear that comes from continued use. Transcripts have also been made for the Library of a few memorials and petitions of soldiers of the Texas Revolution and their heirs, from the originals in the archives of the State Department. The Diary of Adolphus Sterne has been in part edited and prepared for publication. Proof was read on the Lamar Papers, volume IV, part 2, and this printed volume is now available. Those numbers of the Lamar Papers omitted from the four published volumes are being prepared for publication. Some progress has been made in the translation of the Nacogdoches Archives in preparation for the continuing of the calendar begun by Miss Elizabeth H. West, when archivist, and completed by her through the year 1817.

RESOURCES. The Texas State Library has a wealth of manuscript material. It is the legal depository of the archives of Texas government. Official records of Republic and State, being departmental files no longer needed for administrative purposes transferred from the other departments, constitute what is known as the Texas Archives. This is believed to be the largest and most valuable collection of docu-

mentary source material for the history of Texas between the years 1835 and 1880. The Nacogdoches Archives, 1728—1866, consisting of some eight thousand or more documents, relate to the history of Texas as a Spanish and Mexican province. The Library also possesses a large collection of transcripts of documents in the archives of Spain, Mexico, and Cuba relating to this early period of our history.

Personal collections constitute an important division of the archive resources of the Library. Chief among these are the Lamar Papers, 1756-1859; the Reagan Papers, 1846-1905; and the W. D. Miller Papers, 1832-1867. There are many other small, but valuable personal collections, as the Burnley Papers, Butler Papers, Hunt Papers, Kenney Papers, etc. In addition a large amount of manuscript material has not yet been classified. There are also thirty-two manuscript volumes of that portion of the Federal census for Texas for the years 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880; the same being complete save for schedules one and two. The Texas State Library likewise possesses a large collection of maps and historical pictures.

PURCHASES. The additions of unpublished historical material within the past biennium have been partly original documents and partly transcripts. The latter consist chiefly of about fifteen thousand pages of manuscript relating to the history of Spanish and Mexican Texas copied from documents in the *Archive General*, Mexico, D. F. under the supervision of Dr. Charles W. Hackett of the University of Texas. These transcripts were added to the archives by purchase and are as follows: *Provincias Internas*, vols. 12, 22, 31, 64, 99, 109, 111, 114-16, 119, 138-9, 178-9, 181-2, 200-1, 224, 236, 239, 248-9, 260; *Historia*, vols. 298-9, 321, 541-8. There were also copies of two maps; one, the route of the Aguayo expedition to Texas in 1722, which belongs in *Historia*, vol. 542; the other, a map of the region of the mouth of the Trinity during the later Spanish colonial period. This belongs in *Historia*, vol. 544.

TRANSFERS. Under the statute which provides "for the transfer of all books, maps, papers, manuscripts, documents, memoranda and data not connected with or necessary to the current duties of said officers, relating to Texas history" (*Revised Civil Statutes of Texas*, 1925, Art. 5441, Sec. 4), seven manuscript volumes, "Register of Voters in Texas in 1867," were transferred from the State Department to the Library, March 17, 1926.

The original manuscripts prepared by the Texas Educational Survey and used as the basis of their report were given to the Library. No count has been made of the number of pieces, but they will fill possibly eight large dry goods boxes. As time permits, this material is being arranged, wrapped, and shelved by the Legislative Reference Division. It has already been used by one investigator, who with several assistants worked eight hours a day for a week or more on a small portion of the material already arranged and shelved.

GIFTS. Important accessions to the archives have been received as gifts. Mr. Frank Finks of Austin presented on June 18, 1925, two manuscript volumes, *The Houston Post World's Fair Visitors' Register*

at St. Louis, 1904, and The Texas Visitors' Register, Fort Worth Record Bureau, St. Louis, 1904.

Through the courtesy of Mrs. Laura Hamilton of Gainesville, Texas, a transcript was made of the Diary of Judge John E. Wheeler of Gainesville, 1842-1880. This consists of six manuscript volumes, primarily meteorological in subject matter, but it contains much valuable comment on men and events in North Texas during a long period of years.

Through the efforts of Miss Kate Hunter of Palestine, a member of the Texas Library and Historical Commission, the Diary of Adolphus Sterne was deeded to the State by his son, Charles Adolphus Sterne, to be deposited in the archives of the Texas State Library. Formal presentation was made February 10, 1925, at a joint session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, Hon. A. G. Greenwood of Palestine presenting the Diary in behalf of Captain Charles Adolphus Sterne, the donor; and Hon. Norman G. Kittrell, Sr., of Houston accepting it on behalf of the people of Texas. The Diary, consisting of five manuscript volumes beginning in the year 1838 and up to and including the year 1851, with the exception of some short lapses, contains much valuable historical material.

A small collection of Grange material has been secured. The Minutes and Account Book of Sam Gabriel Grange, No. 611, 1874-1883, was donated by Mrs. A. C. Beaver of Georgetown, Texas, January 12, 1926. Several pamphlets on the Patrons of Husbandry and the Producers' Trade Union were given by Mr. and Mrs. John R. McCann of the same place, February 20, 1926. It was through the good offices of Mr. George Irvine of Georgetown, Texas, that this Grange material was secured. The Grange organization or Patrons of Husbandry in Texas, a manuscript, was presented by the author, Colonel James H. Faubion of Leander, Texas, a member of that organization.

The Library is indebted to Miss Helen Gray for a small collection of papers of her father, Andrew B. Gray, and shipman in the Texas navy and later chief surveyor of the commission for running the boundary line between the United States and Texas, 1839-1841, presented January 6, 1926. These papers consist of a few original letters, photostats of letters, maps, pictures, genealogical and other notes.

On December 7, 1925, from Mrs. Lillie Barr Munroe and Miss Alice Barr of Miami, Florida, was received the manuscript of an unpublished story, "Brave Hearts on the Medina," by their mother, Mrs. Amelia E. Barr, together with three pictures of the author.

Mrs. A. H. Yarrington of Austin, Texas, presented, April 15, 1926, two ledgers, dated 1859 and 1860, of R. H. and W. B. Smith, partners in a general merchandise store at Webberville, Texas.

On January 22, 1926, Mrs. Lena Dancy Ledbetter of Austin, Texas, gave an old geography with covers and title page missing and an *Atlas designed to illustrate Burrill's Geography of the Heavens*, New York, 1855.

A number of miscellaneous transcripts and pictures were gifts to the archives. Chief among the former are copies of documents in the *Secretaría de Gobernación*, and *Guerra Y Marina* presented by Mr. Luis Chávez Orozco of México, D. F. A copy of a letter written dur-

ing the Civil War by Mr. Sebran Sneed was presented by his daughter, Mrs. N. M. Wilcox of Austin, Texas.

Mr. G. T. Bludworth of Austin has given a number of photographs of monuments and historic spots in Texas. A picture of the burning of the old Capitol in 1881 was presented by Miss Emma K. Burleson, Chairman of the Library and Historical Commission. For a photograph of a view of Austin at Sixth and Brazos Streets about 1850, the Library is indebted to Mr. Edwin K. Gazley of Austin. Copies of views of Indianola, 1873, 1874, and 1886 were made through the courtesy of Dr. Louis Klemmecke of Cuero, Texas.

Another outstanding gift was from the Rosenberg Library in Galveston of some periodicals and 172 bundles of newspapers. These newspapers are out-of-state papers and Texas papers not otherwise acquired by the Library. This gift, together with similar gifts in the past from the Rosenberg Library, enables the Library to preserve the number of out-of-state papers required by and to add to the collection of Texas papers that the Library is expected and is required by law to maintain. To make these papers available an appropriation of \$2,000 for each of the next two years is requested for binding them.

TRANSFER OF RELICS. Under authority of Chapter 146, General Laws, sixty-six relics were lent to the Museum of the Daughters of the Texas Republic on July 14, 1925, and four more on October 7, 1925. Receipts are held signed by Miss Emma Kyle Burleson, Chairman, Museum Committee.

Fifty-three relics were lent to the Museum of the Confederacy on July 2, 1925, and three more on October 23, 1925. Receipts are held signed by Mrs. Forrest H. Farley, Regent, Texas Confederate Museum. Relic No. 22, an Indian pipe, plowed up by Mr. J. J. Conn in 1891 and deposited in the State Library October 10, 1912, by him subject to his call, was returned to Mr. Conn on the surrender of his receipt for the deposit.

BOOK PRICES. A card list of rare Texas books with prices is being made from the prices quoted in book dealers' lists and catalogues. This promotes judicious purchasing and enables a replacement value to be put for insurance purposes on rare books that are occasionally lent.

CERTIFICATIONS. Seventeen certifications for use in court proceedings were made during the biennium by the State Librarian. Most of these certifications were of manuscripts in the archives.

SALE OF ARCHIVES. During the biennium one copy of the index and forty-six volumes of the Lamar Papers, counting the two parts of volume IV as two volumes, and two copies of the Journal of the Secession Convention were sold.

SMALL ITEMS OF INTEREST

There is much necessary routine and the running of much essential machinery that is invisible to the layman. A growing library is in a continual stage of reorganization and improvement. This is particularly true of a library like the Texas State Library that inherited a

large uncatalogued mass of material from the old State Library. The present State Library has always been pressed by its current work. Yet, in addition to the regular routine and the other growing current demands on the Library, each year brings its own contributions to the better organization of the Library and the consequent relief of the heavy burden of doing reference work as well as a consequent increased efficiency all along the line.

Among the contributions of the closing year not mentioned elsewhere in this report are the following:

The list of periodicals currently received was transferred from sheets to cards. The sheet list had become bulky and had become soiled a number of years ago when kept by the janitor.

A list made in 1911 of all the periodicals in the Library, with the exception of government documents and library bulletins, was revised, typed, and pasted on heavy cardboard in book form. This list is shelved with the periodical indexes and is a quick guide to show whether a certain issue of a magazine is in the Library. It is especially useful to the public using the indexes.

The order cards for books are now retained in files marked "Orders Out," "Orders Received," etc. Though started several times, this is the first time that the State Library has kept up for an entire year these files ordinarily kept by all libraries.

A card author list (issuing department) of the heavy manuscript volumes in the archive division was made. The volumes were numbered and shelved in (1) chronological order, and (2) alphabetical order by the issuing department. Through this list a volume is quickly located in lieu of the former necessity of pulling down numerous heavy and unwieldy dusty volumes only to find that the volumes sought were not in the Library.

The Library has a collection of valuable old Texas newspapers dating as far back as 1835, which probably can be replaced only at an excessive cost if at all. Some of these are badly in need of mending from the wear and tear of heavy use. The past year has been the first time any repairing could be done. Sixteen of the earlier volumes were carefully repaired with Japanese tissue paper.

All the supplies are now in charge of one person, who reports the need of re-ordering before the quantity of any supply is exhausted.

SPACE. One thousand fifty-six feet of wooden shelving erected in the basement in the fall of 1925 affords temporary relief for the crowded shelving situation. Additional space partitioned from the basement corridor, with wall shelving, was relinquished to the Library by the Banking Department in lieu of a basement vault occupied by the Library.

The removal of two cases of relics and a few other relics to the museums of the Daughters of the Texas Republic and the Daughters of the Confederacy gave a few feet of extra space in the Library and permitted an entire rearrangement of furniture. The rearrangement is not only much more convenient for staff and borrowers, but much more pleasing in appearance.

For several years a steel safe containing the treaties between the Republic of Texas and foreign countries, and several treasured relics,

has been kept in a vault of the Treasury Department. Need for the safe caused it to be moved back to the Library, and its treasures are again housed in the archive division. Appreciation is here expressed to the Treasury Department for the use of their vault and for their friendly courtesy when the Library had to take visitors to the safe.

INVENTORY. During the biennium twenty-eight volumes and eleven or more pamphlets were lost through failure of borrowers to return them. This does not include books which were lost in the traveling libraries and paid for by the borrowing community.

A little work to be continued from time to time was done on taking an inventory. No inventory has ever been taken since the cataloguing of the Library was begun in 1911, and when a book is not charged out and not found on the shelves, there is no way of telling whether it is shelved in the wrong place or lost, strayed, or stolen.

The bit of inventory completed shows that a number of volumes are missing though the number scattered over the fifteen-year period is not excessive.

A rough estimate of the contents of the Library is 71,000 books, 35,000 pamphlets, and 80,000 manuscripts.

INDEX TO MISCELLANEOUS TEXAS HISTORY QUESTIONS. A rough card index to miscellaneous Texas history questions was put in form and, together with a list of references cited, was mimeographed for certain libraries of the State at their expense. The index grew in a number of ways. A large portion of it consisted of references jotted down, when she was called upon for Texas history information, by Miss Katherine Elliott, archivist for several years until June, 1925. While the index makes no pretense of being a finished product, either in form or content, permission was given to the libraries of the State to copy it for the help it would be to them in their Texas history reference work.

COOPERATION WITH LIBRARY ASSOCIATIONS. The State Librarian is ex officio Chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Texas Library Association. The present State Librarian was reappointed Chairman of the Legislative Committee of this Association, and was elected vice-president for Texas in the Southwestern Library Association. She is Membership Chairman for Texas for the American Library Association, and she was reappointed a member of the Documents Committee of that Association. The present State Librarian has continued the policy of cooperating with the American Library Association at all times and especially when called upon, as in the Anniversary Campaign Fund and in furnishing several times data regarding library conditions in Texas.

LIBRARY MEETINGS. The State Librarian, the Legislative Reference Librarian, and the Cataloguer attended the Texas Library Association meeting in Houston in November, 1925. Houston's three beautiful new library buildings erected in 1925, the growing activities of the always progressive Houston Library, the new library building of the Goose Creek branch of the Harris County Library, the splendid program, and the meeting with others interested in library problems, constituted an excellent meeting for both inspiration and information.

The State Librarian also attended the Southwestern Library Association meeting at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Five Southern states were represented. There were two speakers from the Pacific coast and one from the American Library Association. This meeting, too, was enjoyable and profitable.

STAFF MEETINGS. Two concurrent series of staff meetings were held from September 1, 1925, to May 31, 1926. The reason for the all-staff series was to familiarize the entire staff, including the part-time members, with the Library as a whole and with something of the activities of the Library other than those in which each was engaged. The following is a chronological enumeration of the chief features of each of the thirteen one-hour meetings in this series: Traveling libraries; resources of the archive division; some illustrators of children's books; county libraries, by Miss Lillian Gunter, librarian, Cooke County Free Library, Gainesville; the El Paso Public Library, by Mrs. Maud D. Sullivan, librarian, El Paso Public Library; bookbinding, by Dr. C. W. Carroll, Universal Publishing Syndicate, San Antonio; reports of work done during the week, by certain members of the staff; reports on magazines in the Library (three meetings, each person contributing a report on two magazines); current Federal documents of interest; the Supreme Court Library and how to use it, by Mr. L. K. Smoot of the Supreme Court Library; the Southwestern Library Association meeting at Tulsa, by Mrs. Charles Stephenson of the University of Texas Library.

The second series of staff meetings was a group-study series attended only by five staff members. United States government publications were selected for the year's study, as familiarity with them is essential in this Library and as opportunities to know them are so few. For each meeting there was an annotated list closely following that used at the University of Illinois Library School and a problem of typical questions asked at this Library. Publications necessary for the study of each group were assembled. Of the eight problems on Federal government publications, two were on the document check list, one on the catalogues, indexes, and lists, one on the census publications, one on the other publications of the Commerce Department, and one each on the Departments of Agriculture, Interior, and Labor. Though not complete, it is believed that this study furnished an excellent working foundation for Federal publications.

There were also two talks and two problems on some of the most used reference books in the Library outside of the government publications, and one list and problem on court reports, law encyclopedias, etc. The State Library staff is often called upon by users of the Supreme Court Library when the assistant librarian in charge of the Supreme Court Library is called away by other duties in his dual position. The State Library is glad to reciprocate in this way the assistance given it by the assistant Supreme Court Librarian, especially that given during the legislative rush.

The time and preparation for both series of staff meetings were within library hours. It is believed that the Library has already been repaid for the time thus used.

THE STAFF. The Staff consists of the State Librarian and nine full time assistants. Miss Octavia F. Rogan became State Librarian on September 1, 1925, succeeding Miss Elizabeth H. West, who resigned to become librarian at the Texas Technological College. Miss Charlotte Ryan succeeded Miss Rogan as Legislative Reference Librarian. Miss Harriet Smither on June 15, 1925, became archivist in lieu of Miss Katherine Elliott, who resigned to join the United States consular staff in Madrid. Miss Edna Rouser on January 1, 1925, succeeded Miss Laurie Gray as document librarian. Mrs. Nettie Houston Bringhurst was added by the Legislature to the State Library's budget, effective September 1, 1925. Mrs. Bringhurst is not included as one of the nine assistants.

In addition to the staff are seven assistants, who work part time, ranging from four to six hours a week for the cleaner to twenty-four hours a week for the shelver.

ABSENCES. Report of absences of assistants September 1, 1925-August 31, 1926, as required by a rider on the Departmental Appropriation Bill of 1925:

	Days Absent		
	Illness	Leave	Vacation
Miss Mabel Brooks.....	4½	9½ ¹	12
Mr. W. A. Monts.....			12
Miss Edna Rouser.....	1½		12
Miss Rebecca Royall.....			11½
Miss Charlotte Ryan.....		22 ²	12
Miss Mabel Smith.....			12
Miss Harriett Smither.....	0	0	0
Miss Fannie Wilcox.....		21 ³	12
Miss Avilla Wright.....			12

¹Deaths in family.

²Without pay. Substitute employed.

³Serious illness in family.

RECOMMENDATIONS

LIBRARY ORGANIZER. The urgent need for a library organizer to promote the establishment and development of libraries in Texas and an adequate traveling expense fund for an organizer cannot be too strongly stated.

There are enormous possibilities in Texas for library extension. Though the population of Texas is 67.6 rural and though Texas has the largest rural population of any state in the Union, there are only seven or eight county libraries out of 353 possibilities. California has 45 county libraries out of 58 counties.

The development of local library service is the chief aim of the extension work of the State Library and is one of the outstanding purposes for which the State Library was re-created by the act establishing the Library and Historical Commission.

A library organizer can help secure adequately supported public libraries organized in the beginning along right lines with no money unwisely spent and with no work to be done over in later years.

A library organizer can advise struggling librarians. She can be instrumental in converting many subscription libraries in Texas into publicly supported libraries. She can disseminate constructive information regarding the work of libraries. She can meet with interested citizens, and discuss their library problems face to face with them. She can help them visualize what a wide-awake library would mean to their community.

We have school inspectors, bank examiners, rural highway builders, fire inspectors, accident inspectors, labor inspectors, sanitation inspectors, pure food inspectors, water engineer inspectors, warehouse examiners, extension workers from educational institutions, etc. Much cooperative work is being done in Texas with the rural population through county farm agents, home demonstrators, rural school aid, consolidated schools, the building of better highways, trained county nurses, health campaigns, etc., but library facilities for the rural population are near the zero point.

The State Library is the agency designated by law to promote library extension. The library organizer is the only new position requested. Just as there is one person in charge of the legislative reference work of the State Library and another in charge of the archive work, so there should be one person in charge of the library extension work. Each member of the present staff already carries too great a variety of duties, and not a single member is sufficiently free to take over the extension work. At present the library extension work done is wedged in with miscellaneous duties and with administrative duties necessary in swinging the various functions consolidated in the one department. An organizer is needed to devote her entire time to library extension in order to supplement the present work and tremendously expand it.

In estimating the cost of a library organizer, qualifications and traveling expenses must be considered. She should be thoroughly versed in library aims and achievements, in library technique, and in municipal and county financial policies in so far as they affect library problems. The chances of securing such a person for less than \$1,800 are too remote to be considered. A library organizer without traveling expenses would be of little help. The increase requested in the traveling fund is largely for the organizer.

STATE LIBRARY AND MUSEUM BUILDING. The present quarters occupied by the State Library are overcrowded, scattered, unsuited for library purposes, and uncomfortable.

The entire Library is overcrowded. The present space permits of practically no growth in the book collection. A valuable gift of a collection of newspapers to be turned over in a few years has been tentatively refused because of no space in which to house it. Much free material to be had for the asking cannot be requested because of the lack of housing space. There is almost no space for readers and research workers in the present quarters. Working space for the staff is at a premium. Desks have to be placed largely where there is room for them rather than where most convenient for routing the work. The State Librarian's office is in a corner of the upper deck of shelving. There is no other space available for it. There is no place in the Library for staff meetings and private interviews.

The present quarters are scattered. About half of the Library's books

are shelved in the Capitol basement in the west wing while the main quarters of the Library are on the second floor of the north wing. The distance assistants have to go for books in the basement is time-consuming for the staff and for the inquirer, to say nothing of the energy wasted in covering the distance and the time lost from the main quarters. To complicate matters the books in the basement are in four disconnected rooms, thereby increasing the work of arranging them, in reshelving them, and in locating them quickly when wanted. Furthermore, the Capitol basement is locked at five, and these books are not available from five to ten o'clock in the evening, although the Library is open until ten.

The present quarters were not designed for library purposes. Though set aside in the building plans for the State Library, and though the name "State Library" was blown into the glass transom over the door, not one feature was included to make the place suitable for modern library purposes.

A library's needs require distinctive features even more perhaps than a church or a hospital requires. A regulation office building does not meet the needs unless a portion of it should be planned and built from the beginning for library purposes. Library stacks, for instance, require an adequate foundation. A second deck to the present newspaper stacks on the second floor is not considered safe on account of its heavy weight. To plan the various and distinct spaces in a library so that a maximum amount of work can be turned out in a minimum period of time and with a minimum amount of energy requires the combined skill of librarians and architects.

An open "rotunda" above the library with a skylight several stories up not only creates a severe draft in the winter, but the hot air rises through this space in the winter to the floors above and leaves the library shivering. In the summer the Library in part is exposed to the glare and heat of the sun.

The Library has resorted to various devices for securing more space. The relics have been transferred temporarily from the Library to the museums of the Daughters of the Texas Republic and of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. Floor plans have been drawn and the floor space of each piece of movable furniture was cut out of cardboard to the same scale. These cardboards were placed in various positions on the floor plans to get the best location for each piece of furniture. The Library in its main quarters uses the most approved method of library shelving, which is exceedingly compact. There is a constant shifting of books, and also a transferring of less used books from the main library to the basement. Each book transferred means a change in several records.

The entire Capitol is crowded, and there is little, if any, chance of the Library's securing more space in the Capitol and no chance of securing adequate space in the present crowded condition. If properly planned, one unit of a State Library and Museum could be erected at this time, and other units added as finances permit.

BUDGET. The increases in the budget as printed in the report, though modest, are sorely needed. Especial emphasis is placed on a more nearly adequate salary scale.

Respectfully submitted,

OCTAVIA F. ROGAN,
State Librarian.

Austin, Texas, September 1, 1926.

THE TEXAS LIBRARY AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION.

APPENDIX A

BOARD OF LIBRARY EXAMINERS

In compliance with the wishes of the Board of Library Examiners as expressed in their rulings and regulations, a report of the work of that Board is here incorporated.

The members of the Board are as follows:

	Term Expires.
Octavia F. Rogan, Librarian, Texas State Library . . .	Ex officio Chairman
E. W. Winkler, Librarian, University of Texas	Ex officio member
Miss Ethel Simmons, Librarian, Waco Public Library	July 24, 1927
Mrs. Maud D. Sullivan, Librarian, El Paso Public Library	July 24, 1929
Miss Julia Ideson, Librarian, Houston Public Library	July 24, 1931

During the past fiscal year six candidates took the examination by mail. Two were given first grade certificates, and the granting of another is pending.

Of certificates formerly issued, one was renewed as a first grade certificate, and two were changed to permanent certificates, Miss Lillian Gunter of Gainesville, librarian, Cooke County Free Library, being given the first permanent county library certificate, and Miss Lucy Fuller, not librarian, Tyrrell Public Library, Beaumont, being given the second permanent county library certificate. The renewal of two other certificates is pending. The privilege of renewing one expired certificate was extended on account of the approaching resignation of the librarian.

The following certificates were in force August 31, 1926:

- Mrs. Iris C. Albright, Grade 2, expires August 31, 1926.
- Frances Hoyt Ford, Grade 1, expires April 12, 1928.
- Lucy T. Fuller, Permanent.
- Lillian Gunter, Permanent.
- Myrtice Morris, Grade 1, expires January 20, 1928.
- Lillian Newton, Grade 2, expires August 31, 1928.
- Ruth Underwood, Grade 1, expires April 12, 1928.

The requisites for a certificate and the kinds of certificates are described in Bulletin 1, Revised, July, 1926, of the State Library, *How to Secure a County Library*, pages 33-35.

APPENDIX B

PARTIAL LIST OF LIBRARY EXTENSION QUESTIONS
ANSWERED BY MAIL BY THE STATE LIBRARIAN
SEPTEMBER, 1925-MARCH, 1926

Is there any way of establishing a library of some sort in this town? There are several people here who would like to see a good library established—not one containing all fiction, but one that has books of a technical nature.

Names and location of recognized library schools in and out of State.

Publications relative to cataloguing, classifying, and regulating libraries.

We are anxious to have new library supplies, but have no catalogues for ordering them.

A simple card system for lending high school books.

List of books suitable for starting a small public library.

We are anxious to get a library started as we have none and would like your cooperation. We are interested in a traveling library as a start.

Copy of the County Library Law.

Suggestive list of books suitable for boys and girls of the grammar age. We have only a limited sum to spend.

Please tell me if you can help us in classifying our library. We have our books all catalogued, pockets and borrower's slips in, etc., but none of us know very much about classification.

I have been appointed chairman of a committee to see about a public library for ————. Can you send me any information on how this may be best accomplished?

How does one go about securing library aid from Carnegie? Can this aid be secured for a county library?

We have been having some trouble with vandalism in that children have been mutilating library books. I want two or three copies of the State law in regard to this.

Can you help us in advising the very best magazine or pamphlet to subscribe for to guide us in selecting books for our public library?

We have the library room equipped with bookcases, but have not purchased the books. It was our intention to establish a very good library of encyclopedias and other reference books, biographies, travelogues, etc., as a permanent collection and not to go out of the building; also to establish a circulating library of light reading matter, the books from which could be borrowed.

Texas Library Manual.

Literature that will be of assistance in organizing and conducting a public library in a town of about 5,000 inhabitants.

We are very anxious for a public library for ————. Is there a State fund for use of this kind? How are Carnegie libraries established? In fact, if all you had was the idea, how would you proceed?

Literature on children's reading.

List of Texas libraries, their support, and kindred information.

Library progress in Texas, 1925.

Can you give me an idea of what would be asked in a county library examination?

Book selection policy for a small library.

The main points in library administration.

The law governing the establishment of city and county libraries.

Help in assisting a high school in organizing a library.

Plans for organizing a library on the Dewey decimal system.

I am reorganizing the library of _____ College, and I would like to know what standard books should be in it.

Information especially valuable to junior high school librarians.

Bulletin, *How to Secure a County Library*.

Material for supervising the building up of a high school library.

Would you advise one with no experience to undertake the cataloguing of a library? Does the State Library Commission furnish the services of an agent or of an assistant or any aid of this kind?

I should like to have something on how to supply the needs of a small library. Popular fiction seems to be the only books our library, of which I am a board member, buys. I am in doubt as to the value of such a policy.

The expense of a library course and the time required to qualify as a professional librarian.

Particulars about the examination for library positions in Texas.

Library facilities for negroes in Texas.

Latest book list of the American Library Association.

Information regarding the State Library.

Would it be possible for us to borrow a collection of books—especially children's books—to use in an exhibit at _____?

Do you approve of a State Library organizer?

List of documents to be used in civics classes.

List of all tax supported public and county libraries in Texas giving the county seat, population of county, population of library unit, area of county, area of library unit in square miles, funds spent from taxes, funds spent from other sources.

Number on library staffs, total library fund and number of instructors in the Texas State Teachers Colleges, in the College of Industrial Arts, in the various University of Texas libraries, in the library of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and its branches, in the Texas State Library.

What is your opinion of a fiction rental collection as part of a public library?

Is the course given by _____ sufficient to obtain a library certificate from your board that must be gained by examination?

Does a branch librarian of a county library have to have a library certificate?

Where do you classify a metrical translation of *Song of Roland*? My prose stories of Roland are J398.2, but Dewey puts the poetical version with French literature.

What periodicals should a small public library take? Should a small public library circulate its periodicals?

APPENDIX C

PARTIAL LIST OF GENERAL REFERENCE QUESTIONS
HANDLED BY MAIL BY THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE
LIBRARIAN OF THE TEXAS STATE LIBRARY
SEPTEMBER, 1925-MARCH, 1926

Information relative to the lives of about twenty representatives and senators from Texas to Congress for the use of the revision of the Biographical Congressional Directory.

A questionnaire on statistical information for Texas filled out for the *American Yearbook*.

Information relative to adult education in Texas.

Information relative to the Locarno Treaty.

Contemporary fiction, criticism of.

Material on the social side of English history from 1879 to 1923.

The life of Amy Lowell and criticism of her works.

The meat-packing industry in the United States.

Lives of Rembrandt and Michael Angelo.

Material on Education for Citizenship.

History of the Supreme Court of Texas.

Information on city government.

Information about the tariff of the United States.

Woman as a citizen.

Information on the biblical character, Dorcas.

Copy of the poem, *In Flanders Field*.

Material on mural painting in America.

Material on need of museums in education.

Report on the Lytton Springs oil field.

Books on physiology and hygiene.

Books containing Christmas and Thanksgiving programs.

The heritage of the American citizen.

List of resources in Texas State Library on Indian depredations in Texas from 1871 to 1875.

Literature on fire prevention.

Material on Socialism.

Material on prohibition and its enforcement.

Census of manufactures in Texas.

Material on the life and works of Elizabeth Barrett Browning.

History of the missions around San Antonio.

Hessian troops in the Revolutionary War.

Easy reading material for illiterate adults.

Information on the conference between the National Coffee Roasters' Association and the Sao Paulo Institute for the Permanent Defense of Coffee.

Information on Vocational Guidance.

Texas trees.

Geological reading matter on Fayette County, Lavaca County, and Liberty County.

- The county unit system in education.
- Natural resources of the Texas coast.
- The financing of the Civil War.
- Information on denominational schools in Texas.
- Trade opportunities in South America.
- Statistical information for the Texas section of the *Statesman's Year-book*.
- Educational contributions of the Saracebs.
- Material on city planning.
- Information relative to the part the Irish have played in American history.

APPENDIX D

PARTIAL LIST OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE QUESTIONS
HANDLED BY MAIL BY THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE
LIBRARIAN OF THE TEXAS STATE LIBRARY
SEPTEMBER, 1925-MARCH, 1926

In legislative off years more general questions are answered by the Legislative Reference Librarian than typical legislative reference questions. An effort has been made to exclude general reference questions from this list though their distinction is difficult in the questions coming in an off year.

Compulsory school education in Texas in so far as it pertains to blind children, relief for blind adults, and other acts passed by the Legislature relative to activities for blind infants, children and adults.

Historic trails of America.

Cost of holding the grand jury for an ordinary term of district court in the larger counties of Texas.

Laws of the various states of the Union requiring a grand jury to be summoned only by call of petition and/or order of the district judge.

Official editions of the Codes of Texas and information relative to the unofficial editions.

How to conduct a mock municipal election in high school.

Information regarding junior college education in the United States.

Enactments of the Legislature of Texas regarding the sterilization of the feeble-minded and the criminal insane.

Number of retail state liquor taxpayers in the State of Texas for each of the years from 1900 to 1910, inclusive.

What were the last three amendments to the Texas State Constitution and when passed?

Information concerning the Girls' Training School at Gainesville, Texas.

Information concerning the Juvenile Training School for Boys at Gatesville, Texas.

Information on the joint legislative committee.

Information on illiteracy in Texas.

Statutes of Texas defining the term "negro" arranged chronologically.

Copy of the Governor's proclamation calling the extra session of the 1913 Legislature.

Information as to the achievements of the negro race in America.

Average cost of enforcing a certain Federal law for one year.

Information on the iron industry of Texas.

Building code of Texas and any special enactment in reference to church construction.

Does the Governor of Texas deliver his message to the Legislature in person or is the message read by the clerk? Does the Legislature make a formal written reply? If the Legislature prepares no written reply, what action does the Legislature take on the executive message?

- Information relative to the tax legislation of the last session of the Legislature.
- Copy of the Act of 1925 relating to swindling.
- Method of supporting elementary and secondary schools in Texas.
- In what year was the last Constitutional Convention held and what was its approximate cost?
- Information relative to the State constabulary system.
- Classification of cities, towns, and villages in Texas.
- Information as to any attempt at the reorganization of State government in Texas.
- Information relative to the Industrial Welfare Commission of Texas.
- Does the State Board of Education have any jurisdiction over examinations for the right to practice any branch of the healing art?
- Information relative to Supreme Court judges, higher court judges, and retirement system for judges in Texas.
- Summary of the principal events in national and international peace for the last year.
- List of the material in the State Library on early railroad development in the Southwest.
- Imperialism of the United States toward South American countries.
- Information on banks and banking in Texas.
- How is it determined whether the United States should send a legation or an embassy to a foreign country?
- Information on the cotton tax levied in the last year of the Civil War.
- Information to the Constitution to be submitted at the next election.
- Information relative to the election laws of Texas.
- Information relative to child labor enactments in Texas
- Certified copy of the resolution passed by the Legislature of the State of Texas on January 19, 1921, endorsing the bill of the Hon Marvin Jones, a congressman of the State of Texas, relative to daylight savings, then pending before Congress.
- Material to create interest in class work in civics in the sixth grade.
- Information relative to State flag, flower and seal.
- Information relative to the homestead laws of Texas.
- Information relative to Texas prisons.
- Figures concerning the numbers of cattle shipped from or sold in Texas for the last thirty years.
- Information relative to the Texas cattlemen's convention.
- Statutes relative to the protection of laborers in public utility plants in case of strikes.
- Information relative to the minimum wage laws of Texas.
- Adoption laws of Texas.
- Information relative to legal forms in Texas.
- Information relative to the early history and present operation of the Workman's Compensation Act of Texas.
- Property rights of married women in Texas.
- Recent enactments of the State Legislature affecting women.
- Chronological list of the Governors of Texas with dates of election.
- Cost of the primaries in Texas.
- Sunday laws of Texas.
- Copies of resolutions honoring T. B. Wheeler.

Information relative to the Robertson Insurance Law of Texas.

Copy of an editorial appearing in the Dallas Morning News January 13, 1895, entitled *The Outgoing Governor* (Governor Hogg).

Information relative to the proposed new Department of Aeronautics.

Information as to how Texas takes care of its homeless children.

Information relative to the divorce laws of Mexico.

Laws governing descent and distribution of property when a person dies without a will.

Information relative to the Torrens Land Title Registration System of Massachusetts.

Legislation of Texas bearing on oil and gas since 1920.

Information relative to the powers and duties of county commissioners courts in Texas.

APPENDIX E

SOME COMPILATIONS MADE BY THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE LIBRARIAN FOR THE 1925 LEGISLATURE

Extracts relative to carbon black.

Amount of percentage of personal earnings subject to garnishment in the various states: a digest.

Selected laws of the various states relating to convicts.

Employment agencies, including emigrant agents and private employment offices and excluding free public employment offices: Laws of the various states.

Automobile headlight laws of the various states.

Assumed name laws of the various states.

Expenditures and receipts of the national government in Texas for each of the fiscal years 1917-23.

States having a Board of Pardons more or less independent of the Governor.

Redemption of property sold in foreclosures of mortgages: Laws of the various states.

Laws of the various states regulating persons or institutions regularly engaged in the placing of children for adoption, including laws relating to interstate placing of children.

Teaching the Constitution in the schools: Laws of the various states.

Digest of the laws of the various states regarding the number of jurors by whom a verdict can be rendered in courts of record.

Tax on cigars and cigarettes in other states: A digest of the laws.

Municipally or county supported chambers of commerce: A compilation of the laws of the various states.

Salaries of elective officers in other states.

APPENDIX F

PARTIAL LIST OF TEXAS HISTORY QUESTIONS HANDLED
BY MAIL BY THE ARCHIVIST OF THE TEXAS STATE
LIBRARY SEPTEMBER, 1925-MARCH, 1926

Request for list of books and manuscripts to be found in State Library relating to José Alvarez de Toledo.

What was the first Texas newspaper and where published?

Has a history of Texas newspapers been written?

Request for a sketch of Captain Sheekelford.

Give record of Joe J. Heath, a Ranger; rank, name of organization, commanding officer, date of enlistment, date of discharge, term of service.

Request for certified copy of that portion of census of Tenaha which gives the families of two William Clarks.

When was Cynthia Ann Parker captured from the Indians? Give names of men in company that effected her capture. Also copy of Captain Stephen F. Jones' company of minute men in Palo Pinto County, 1860.

Request for a copy of the muster rolls of Captain Joshua Culwell's company, Confederate service.

Give complete record of William Lindsey in the Ranger service.

Request for sketch of Henry W. Karnes.

Has Texas a State song, and are there other songs suitable for special occasions?

In accounts of Indian depredations in Blanco County from 1865 to 1870, is there any statement concerning the losses of John P. Kellam?

Request for proof of the military service of Thomas Figures in the Army of the Republic of Texas.

Give bibliography for the study of the life of Albert Sidney Johnston.

Request for statement of case of Mariano Aguirre before the Claims Commission of 1870.

Give all references to Lieutenant A. G. Gray found in the journal of Alfred Walke, midshipman in the Texas Navy.

Request for information concerning Bernardo de Galvez and for a copy of picture.

Give list of Mier prisoners released September 16, 1844.

When and where did Elisabeth Ney die? Where is she buried? Is the story true that Marechal Ney was a schoolmaster in South Carolina?

Request for pictures of Sam Houston.

Are the documents in the Library relating to Colonel Wat Morgan and the struggle of the Regulators and Moderators?

Request for a sketch of Lamar's Life, a copy of his picture, and the names of his children and grandchildren.

Where did Governor Ross die and where is he buried? Give names and addresses of his children.

Request for record of Simeon Cooley in the Confederate Army.

Where can a copy of the Austin Ground School Books, published after the war, be obtained?

Request for description of all the flags of Texas with exact dates of the period when each flag was the national flag of Texas.

Request for the record of William F. Hartung in the Spanish War, giving date and place of enlistment, date of discharge, captain, and names of several of his comrades.

Tracing of signature of Louis J. Herckenrath, Texan consul at Amsterdam.

Request for an account of Indian depredations and Ranger activities in Tom Green and neighboring counties.

Who built the present Capitol and how was it paid for? Did Stephen F. Austin found the city of Austin, and is not the cornerstone of the Capitol a stone step from the home of Moses Austin in Potosi, Missouri?

Why was the treaty with the Cherokees made by the commissioners appointed by the Consultation rejected by the Congress of the Republic?

Give exact number of days of Lemuel J. Hensley's service as Ranger.

Request for a brief outline of Texas history with questions suitable for club study.

Give names of parents and grandparents of Henry Smith, Provisional Governor of Texas.

Request for the opinion of John Birdsall concerning the Cherokee treaty.

Give exact date of Sam Houston's death.

Request for information concerning material, printed and manuscript, on Sam Houston.

Give evidence of the service of Samuel B. Evans in the Texas Revolutionary Army.

Request to locate memorial of volunteers in the service of Texas, March 1, 1836.

What does the *T* stand for in the name of George T. Wood?

When was the Texas Historical Association organized and by whom?

Request information concerning the number and breeds of cattle raised in Lubbock, Lynn, Dawson, Terry, Foard, Borden, and Garza Counties, according to the census reports in 1900, 1910, 1920.

Give the exact date of Sam Bass' death.

Give following information concerning Rangers: (1) The origin as to constitutional basis, time, manner and form of this unique force, with the numbers and commanding officers of the original organization; (2) its range of authority in unorganized territory and its relation to county peace officers in organized counties; (3) its historical period of maximum size and activity; (4) its constitutional basis; (5) its present size and organization; (6) its imitators; that is, similar organizations in other states and Canada; (7) present and former salaries of officers and privates; (8) especially some of their more notable commanders; (9) something of its equivalent force ("State Police") under Republican administration in the seventies.

Give the history of the Lone Star flag of Texas.

Request for material concerning early history of Austin County.

Would it be possible through you to get in touch with any of the relatives of Governor Richard B. Hubbard?

Request for record of Harrison Boyd McLean in the Texas Revolution.

Request for full and complete record of T. S. Allen in Texas Ranger service.

Request for full and complete record of James L. McElroy in the Texas Ranger service.

Request for the names and officers of the various historical associations of the State.

Request for record of service of Washington Howard in Confederate service, 1864-65.

Request for record of the Confederate service of W. H. Roy.

Request for information concerning John Wesley Hardin, Ben Thompson, George Scarborough, Sam Bass, and other notorious Texas "killers."

Request for certified copy of that part of the census of Bevil relating to Wyatt Hanks and family.

Request for copies of documents from Nacogdoches Archives and Comptroller's Military Service Records relating to William Clark.

Give place and date of enlistment of Daniel Millar, who fought at San Jacinto; also the company to which he belonged.

Give information about the Alamo and other Texas missions.

Request for information concerning John Blair, a soldier of the Alamo.

Give date of the organization of Captain Whitesides' company of Rangers, and state whether or not name of John F. Hart appears on roll of said company.

Send information regarding origin of the name Texas, also state motto and flower.

Wish to get in touch with Wallers of Texas and to get information concerning Waller family.

Request for information concerning General T. J. Chambers.

Request for list of books concerning leading cities of Texas to be used by men connected with the ——— Company.

Request for information of a historical and general nature concerning Fort Stockton, Texas.

Was David Crockett killed at the battle of the Alamo and in the Alamo building? Please quote documentary proof for or against.

Wish to get complete record of my uncle, Joseph W. Andrews, who was one of those who escaped at Goliad.

Send list of the names and addresses of the living Governors of Texas, giving years that each served.

APPENDIX G
EXPENDITURES FOR BIENNIAL 1924/1926 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES SUBMITTED TO THE STATE BOARD OF CONTROL, 1926

ITEMS	Appropriations for Years Ending			Expended Years Ending		Requested Years Ending	
	Aug. 31, 1925	Aug. 31, 1926	Aug. 31, 1927	Aug. 31, 1925	Aug. 31, 1926	Aug. 31, 1928	Aug. 31, 1929
Salaries of:							
State Librarian	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Assistant librarian and cataloguer	1,500.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,500.00	1,600.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Legislative reference librarian	1,650.00	1,650.00	1,650.00	1,650.00	1,650.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Archivist	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Library organizer						1,800.00	1,800.00
Loan assistant and cataloguer	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Assistant cataloguer	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Document librarian	1,350.00	1,350.00	1,350.00	1,350.00	1,350.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Night librarian	720.00	960.00	960.00	720.00	960.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Stenographer and copyist	1,350.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,350.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
General assistant and janitor	720.00	720.00	720.00	720.00	720.00	720.00	720.00
Additional assistants as needed	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	900.00	900.00
Maintenance and Increase							
Binding, repair, preparation for binding	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Binding, repair, preparation for binding of newspapers and periodicals given by the Rosenberg Library, Galveston						2,000.00	2,000.00
Books for State Library, including books for the blind						5,000.00	5,000.00
Books for State Library	2,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,999.83	2,500.00		
Books for the blind	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Conducting legislative reference division	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00		
Contingent	300.00	400.00	400.00	300.00	400.00	850.00	1,200.00
Furniture and fixtures		500.00	500.00		500.00	500.00	500.00
Gathering historical data	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00	700.00	500.00	500.00
Preparing for press and printing Texas archives and historical manuscripts	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Printing bulletins, booklists, and biennial report						1,500.00	1,500.00
Stationery, supplies, postage, express, freight (including drayage)	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,995.99	1,999.99	500.00	500.00
Subscriptions	600.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	599.49	999.97	2,500.00	2,500.00
Telephones	120.00	192.00	192.00	120.00	185.53	1,000.00	1,000.00
Travel expenses of librarian, assistants, library examining board and Commissioners, on official business, including traveling expenses of library organizer	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	192.00	192.00
Totals	\$ 24,460.00	\$ 26,522.00	\$ 26,522.00	\$ 24,455.31	\$ 26,515.49	\$ 39,362.00	\$ 39,712.00
Collector of historical data for the State Library, to be filled by Mrs. Nettie Houston Bringham		1,200.00	1,200.00		1,200.00		

All monies paid into the State Treasury by the State Library from the sale of the archives and other historical publications of the Library, all monies from refunds for lost and badly damaged books, and all monies from prepayments on drayage are hereby appropriated for the State Library for the following purposes, respectively: Preparing for press and printing Texas archives and historical manuscripts; books for State Library; and stationery, supplies, postage, express, freight.



