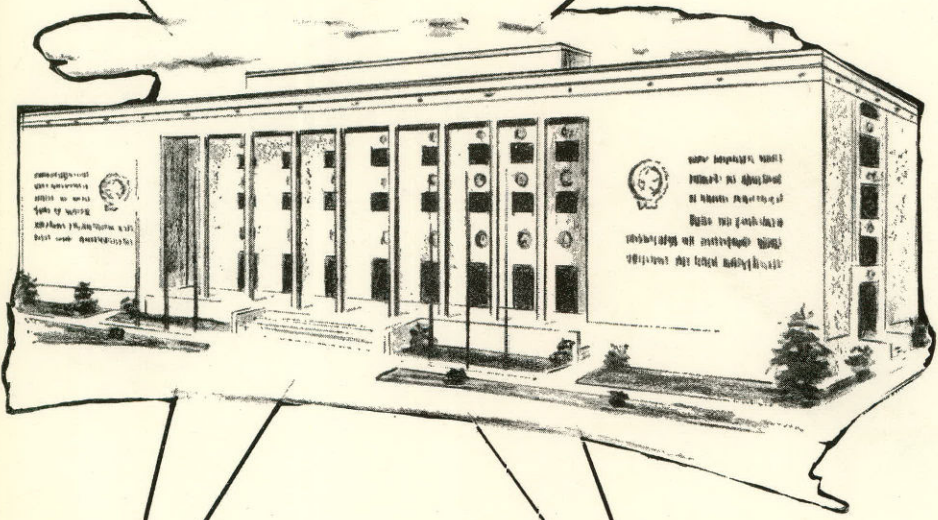


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3. Library Week in Texas in conjunction with
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JOHN CONNALLY
GOVERNOR OF TEXAS

November 20, 1963

To the Friends of Texas Libraries:

Your continuing effort in behalf of more and better libraries throughout Texas is a significant factor in the improvement of our State's library facilities. I am informed that your membership has almost tripled since 1960, and this growth is reflected in the local activities of the many Friends groups in Texas.

Dr. Dorman Winfrey, Director of the Texas State Library, reported recently that 333 public libraries serve 8,728,845 Texans, or about 91 per cent of the population of 1960. He further disclosed that 41 of Texas' 254 counties, totaling 8.8 per cent of the state's population, did not have public library service. This same report, on a more encouraging note, revealed that the 226 Texas libraries reporting to Dr. Winfrey in 1962 listed a total of \$6.9 millions invested in library services in this period, an increase of a half-million dollars over 1961.

As Governor, it has been my conviction that more emphasis should be placed on increasing book stocks and improving library service in all parts of Texas. Obviously, there is little room for complacency when a number of our counties lack library service and when some of our metropolitan areas rank low in national library ratings.

In my budget message to the Texas Legislature on March 7, 1963, I proposed an increase of \$4.2 millions for libraries, including provision for 625,000 additional volumes in 20 colleges and universities. Added funds for Texas libraries of all categories is essential to the progress of our State.

The Friends of Texas Libraries can exert a most beneficial effect on future library development by continuing to encourage local effort. The library, in common with some of our other cultural institutions, sometimes exists precariously. Only the combined efforts of people of good will can make it more secure and a stronger part of the community.

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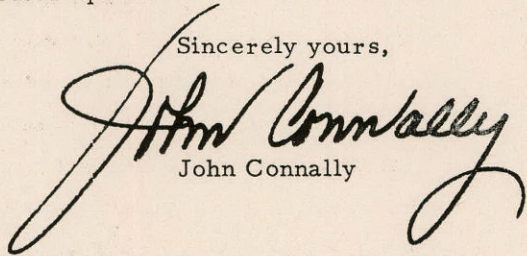
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To the Friends of Texas Libraries

During World War II the English poet John Masefield remarked that wherever a university stood, it stood and shone--and that it might help in ultimately bringing wisdom into human affairs. A library, too, stands and shines--and has a vital role in accomplishing what people of discernment and good will desire.

Even in this space age we must never forget that thought is the basic energy in human history. Civilization is put together by thought rather than by machines, however potent. Books constitute a vast spiritual and intellectual heritage of what man has done--and still may hope to do. This heritage is one to be cherished. We must remember that there is inner as well as outer space.

Sincerely yours,

A large, elegant handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Connally". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name below it.

John Connally

Texas Library Association

— ORGANIZED TO PROMOTE LIBRARY SERVICE IN TEXAS —

CENTRAL OFFICE, 7918 FAIRDALE LANE
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November 21, 1963

Dear Friends of Texas Libraries:

For somewhat over forty years we in the libraries over the nation have been aided and supported by a specific group of interested citizens who call themselves "Friends of the Library." Now "friends" written "Friends" says to librarians, "Here we are, ready to work for the best interests of the library. What help do you want from us?"

The very special help Texas Libraries need from the Friends at this time is toward implementation of the state-wide plan for library development in Texas. As you know, the elements of the plan set forth by the Library Development Committee of the Texas Library Association involve service in all types of libraries and at all levels of service—local libraries and the State library, school, special libraries, college and university libraries, technical information and research centers. Unless library development is carried out effectively in all these areas, Texas will not be as strong as it might be in an educated and cultured citizenry.

The Texas Library Association must look to the understanding and active interest of Friends to get the plan for library development understood and accepted in Texas. People need to hear library needs presented sympathetically and intelligently. This presentation must be done locally so that every citizen of every town and city in Texas knows himself to be involved. Friends of Texas Libraries are in the best position to "Carry the message." They are the link between the library profession

and the citizen. Being themselves citizers and being closely associated with the local libraries, the Friends have an influence which can act most effectively for improvement of libraries and library service in Texas.

The story of the Friends of the Library is one of public-spirited accomplishment. And in Texas this can be amply illustrated not only by the works of various fine local groups but by the dedicated efforts of the State-wide Friends of Texas Libraries. Librarians deeply appreciate the notable support they have had from Friends and assure them of the active interest of the Association in all that concerns FOTL.

The Conference theme for 1964 is "Today's Opportunity—Dynamic Library Service." It is a theme to challenge every member of TLA and of FOTL! Let us continue our united efforts to meet the challenge. Together we can give Texas a really good reason to brag about its libraries. Let's back up that "brag."

Speaking for Texas Library Association and for all Texas Librarians, I am privileged to express our gratitude and to acknowledge our debt to Friends of Texas Libraries.

Sincerely yours,

Sister Jane Marie, C.D.P.

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President, Texas Library
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DORMAN H. WINFREY
DIRECTOR AND LIBRARIAN



GOVERNED BY THE
TEXAS LIBRARY AND
HISTORICAL COMMISSION

November 29, 1963

Dear Friends:

"Libraries for all Texans", the frequently quoted goal of Texas State Library and Texas Library Association, is nearer reality today because of the extra measure of citizenship being demonstrated by a host of Texans known as Friends of Texas Libraries.

Friends of Texas Libraries are the most important boosters of any plans to improve library service in our State. They are "friends" at the library's level. They are neighbors who drop in for refreshments and discuss plans to improve this important local facility. They speak for the citizenry at meetings of governing bodies. They speak for the library at club and civic functions.

Friends are interested in their library's growth because they know that the knowledge of the community is on a higher level when backed by a strong public library. Our world and most of its progress is still tied to the information recorded by scholars in books, and Friends of Texas Libraries work unceasingly to promote new libraries and to help existing libraries grow.

The late President John F. Kennedy realized the importance of libraries. He made this statement, which to my mind exemplifies the work of FOTL . . . "Libraries like all other institutions must grow and adapt to changing requirements and conditions. The rate of change in the world today and in our knowledge of it is incredibly fast. We cannot afford to let our libraries slip behind."

We at Texas State Library pledge a continuation of our support for all Friends of Texas Libraries, and we salute its president, Mr. R. Clay Bailey.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dorman H. Winfrey".

Dorman H. Winfrey
Director and Librarian

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Introducing . . .



R. CLAY BAILEY, right, talks to Governor John Connally about the Friends of Texas Libraries organization. Bailey is the new president of the State FOTL, having been elected to the post during the 50th anniversary meeting of the Texas Library Association in Dallas last March. He will serve until 1965.

Houston 'Friend' Heads State FOTL Group

Clay Bailey has been active in FOTL work for a number of years, in Dallas and Houston and also on the State level. He has been associated with cultural improvement groups for more than 30 years. In May, 1962, he was the recipient of the Italian Cultural Award.

The new FOTL president is the current chairman of the Houston Friends organization and prior to this honor he was treasurer of the State FOTL. He is also a director of the Houston Friends of Music group; program annotator on Italian Opera for the Houston Opera Association and is a member of the American National Theatre and Academy, the Southwest Theatre Conference and the American Musicology Society.

Bailey is Assistant District Director for Public Relations Gulf Southwest District, United States Steel Corp., Houston. His career has included a stint as head of an academy English department, amusement editor and columnist of metropolitan newspapers and as a lecturer.

He is married to the former Light D'Albergo of Galveston. Mrs. Bailey formerly taught Romance Languages at Southern Methodist University, Dallas and now heads the department of Italian at the University of Houston. One child, Light, is now a teaching fellow in English at the University of Houston.

Bailey holds an A.B. from Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Ala., and an M.A. from The University of Texas, Austin.

Baytown Friends Announce \$1,000 Scholarship Fund

There is an acute shortage of trained librarians in Texas.

That is why the Baytown Friends of the Library aims to award a \$1,000 scholarship to a prospective librarian, a junior-year college student who plans to obtain a master of library science degree.

A Christmas tree was set up at Sterling Municipal Library to be "decorated" for the library scholarship. Everyone was invited to put an ornament on the tree and at the same time donate to the scholarship fund. The Friends also staged a campaign for more members. Dues yearly are \$1.

Following is a statement by Mrs. J. L. Franklin, vice president of the Friends of the Library:

"If a library is to serve its community properly it must be staffed by people who are trained in the many skills of library science. The number of people so trained is far smaller than the number needed by our nation's libraries. To help fill this need the Baytown Friends of the Library is establishing a scholarship which will enable boys and girls from this community to receive the training necessary for this important service."

TEXAS LIBRARIES



AN EXTERIOR view of the Benjamin Franklin library in Mexico City. This group of Mexican girls is from a secondary school. They will use the 25-year-old library's collection to learn more about the United States.

THE LIBRARY FRIEND AND INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING

By CLAY BAILEY
President, Friends of Texas Libraries

At the Spring, 1961 meeting of FOTL in El Paso, our organization voted a grant of \$250 to the Benjamin Franklin Library in Mexico City.

During the past summer it was my pleasure to view at first hand the operation of this modest *biblioteca* at 53 Niza Street and to discuss its program with Mrs. Mauda Sandvig, librarian.

The Benjamin Franklin, whose name honors a famous American who was one of the pioneers in library circulation, was founded

April 13, 1942, as a United States gesture of friendship to the people of Mexico. In the two decades intervening it has been not only a library — interpreting us to our neighbors—but also has assumed the aspects of a cultural and research center promoting understanding between the United States and Mexico.

Suggesting how well the Benjamin Franklin has performed are some statistics provided by Mrs. Sandvig. During the period of July, 1962, to June, 1963, 38,000

children and 235,000 adults made use of the library. Included in the total were students, teachers, government officials, representatives of industry, labor and agriculture. Circulation in this period aggregated 160,000 and, additionally, over 46,000 reference questions were answered by telephone.

The reading rooms at the Benjamin Franklin are crowded constantly during the day (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.), and attendance is always good at book and art exhibits, film showings, concerts, lectures and other events which round out its cultural program. Also, in the course of its 23 years of life, the library has established branches at Puebla, Monterrey, Tampico, and Guadalajara.

As a further service, the Benjamin Franklin provides a rotating loan collection of books to schools, clubs, fraternal and civic organizations throughout Mexico. There is little idle shelf time for most of the current stock of 40,000 vol-

umes. In the course of interpreting the United States to Mexico, this American institution has obviously picked up friends and increased interest along the way. Books have here served well the cause of international understanding.

In this era when we are, to quote from James Saxon Childers' *The Nation on the Flying Trapeze*, "at one of those times in history when the whole social structure is being turned upside down and men are being reshuffled," one of the urgencies would seem to be an individual effort toward international understanding. Here the friend of the library may serve his community well by helping to provide books, encouraging suitable film showings, lectures, exhibits, etc., tending to increase public awareness of the world at large.

Supplying adequate books for your library in this field will not be a slight task. The interests and demands in the area run the spec-



STANDING ROOM ONLY . . . attests to the fact that book exhibits are very popular at the United States' sponsored Benjamin Franklin library in Mexico City.

trum—from general books on the language, history, literature, art, religion, etc., of the family of nations—to volumes on more specialized subjects. The borrowers will range from students, teachers and club women to business executives. Only a few days ago Robert M. Norris, president of the National Foreign Trade Council, had this comment:

“The rapidly expanding world trade opportunities for American business point up the vital need for early training and education to develop truly internationally oriented executives.”

From the Peace Corps to the National Chamber of Commerce there is currently felt a need for better international understanding—an understanding which can only come when more Americans are better informed on international affairs.

Modern man may not today rely solely on a knowledge of his own country. And even in this age of awesome technological developments we need more than ever to understand the human race. The wisdom of ages—with its variations by race and nationality and locale—may be consulted in varying quantities wherever a library stands. You may have a part in providing for the library of your choice an adequate stock of books in this field. With your help the library will have an ever-increasing role in interpreting the world to its patrons, as the Benjamin Franklin now interprets the United States to Mexico.

Winter, 1963

Houston Friends Push Enrichment of Fine Arts Room

Eighty books on the arts have been purchased for the Fine Arts Room of Houston's Central Library through a gift of \$1,000 from the Friends of the Houston Public Library, it has been announced by Clay Bailey, President of the Friends.

Another splendid acquisition by the Room came this month with the gift of 52 books on Japanese arts and arts by the government of Japan, through its Consul in Houston. This brings to 10 the number of foreign governments donating volumes on their arts to the Fine Arts Room collection.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas B. Ragsdale of Houston, lifetime members of the Friends, have donated \$850 for the purchase of much-wanted duplicate copies of books in the non-fiction field. Another substantial money gift to the Friends has been made by Miss Frankie Allen of Houston, first president of the organization.

During its 10th anniversary year the Friends of the Houston Public Library will continue work toward the enrichment of the Fine Arts Room and will assist the publication of a history of the Houston Public Library, with \$1,000 already donated for this purpose.

Two local book drives have added to the book stocks of Houston public libraries this summer. A June campaign by the Contemporary Arts Museum netted 200 volumes, while a Houston Junior Chamber of Commerce drive still continuing has brought in well over 8,000 volumes.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES AND THE FRIENDS

By EDWARD G. HOLLEY
Director of Libraries
University of Houston

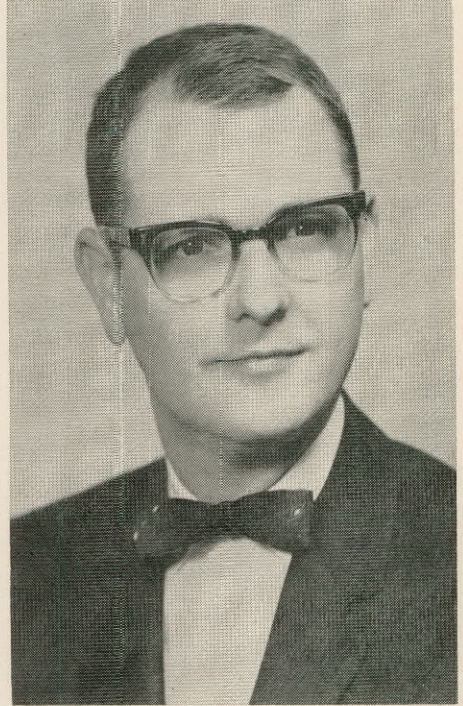
Just what have the Friends contributed to Texas academic libraries over the past decade? This is a question which must occur to any Friend of a college and university library, at least occasionally. While my records are far from complete, I think I could answer best by saying the Friends have contributed substantially to the enrichment of library collections.

In Texas we are sometimes prone to acknowledge our needs and our gaps in language which suggests the poverty of our institutions. Yet poor as we are judged by national standards, there are treasures in Texas academic libraries which would astonish the unknowing.

At lunch recently I was pleased to have a new faculty member at the University of Houston comment on the rather good nineteenth and early twentieth century collection on Far Eastern history in our library. This collection includes one first edition of considerable rarity and scarcity, not the reprint but the original.

The collection was bought in the mid-fifties from the estate of the late Maury Maverick. It has since been augmented considerably by some of our Chinese American Friends who have given volumes and sets in memory of the late Edward K. T. Chen.

This is not an isolated example among Texas academic libraries. One could mention the unusually fine incunabula in the Bridwell-DeBellis collection at Southern Methodist University; the Stark, Wrenn, and Genaro Garcia collec-



Edward G. Holley



tions at the University of Texas; the recent acquisition of a history of science collection at Texas Technological College; and the Nadler collection of 15,000 volumes of German literature recently unloaded at the Port of Houston for Rice University. The above list is far from exhaustive.

Almost every college and university in Texas could present a like story of useful materials which they simply could not have acquired through the normal process of budgeted library funds.

Now how did this happen? Granted that some of these col-

lections represented large sums of money given by a single individual or by a foundation, the funds were made available because loyal Friends of the library either made the contact or created the climate in which these gifts could be made. And this leads to my second point: Friends of Texas academic libraries have contributed not only of their own resources but have created the interest in good libraries as necessary adjuncts to the teaching and research programs.

We sometimes forget that any social institution, whether it be library, school, symphony, or whatever, needs strong community support. This support does not come automatically. The story of the importance and usefulness of the library has to be told to the community, and for this we depend upon the library's Friends. If they do not tell the story, who will?

I was amused a year ago when I read about Dr. Milton Eisenhower's fund raising efforts on behalf of Johns Hopkins University. In attempting to match a second \$6 million from the Ford Foundation, Dr. Eisenhower was reported to have logged some 20,000 miles in travel in less than two months. Said he, "I won't rattle a tin cup, but I'll tell the story."¹ This is what we need on behalf of Texas academic libraries: Friends who will tell the story. That they have been telling it effectively already is apparent from the above. What we now need to do is increase the number and make even more of our citizens aware of the contribution academic libraries are making to the cultural and intellectual life of the state.

¹Time, April 13, 1962, p. 73.

Abilene to Host TLA's 51st Meeting

"Today's Opportunity: Dynamic Library Interrelations" is the theme for the Texas Library Association's scheduled 51st convention at Abilene, April 8-9-10-11, according to Sister Jane Marie, C.D.P., San Antonio, president of the Association. Headquarters will be in the Windsor Hotel.

The Association was organized in 1902 in Austin, however, it met only on a biennial basis for the period 1923-36. Sister Jane Marie, C.D.P., who is head of the department of librarianship, Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio, said the Association did not have meetings during the years 1906, 1913, 1914, 1943 and 1945.

Last March at the golden anniversary conference of TLA in Dallas, the Association studied future needs for library service; appointed a committee to develop a plan for state-wide library development and recognized the librarian of the year, Ray C. Janeway, librarian of Texas Technological College, Lubbock; library trustee of the year, Mrs. Bertha T. Cornwell, Sour Lake and named the Deer Park School District, Deer Park, as recipient of the library improvement award.

Dr. Robert R. Douglass, director of The University of Texas School of Library Science is the immediate past-president and Mrs. Lillian Moore Bradshaw, director of the Dallas Public Library is vice-president and president-elect.

Corpus Christi will play host for the 1965 convention on March 31-April 3 and Austin has been selected as the headquarters city for 1966 on March 23-26.

WHY...

a rare book collection?

By EVERETT L. DeGOYLER, JR.
Dallas, Texas

To the average college librarian, constantly depressed by a continuing increase in staff salaries and book costs and well aware that in the average university budget his domain is considered the first target of enforced economy, the question of a rare book library is patently academic. Hard enough it is to attempt to cover the highspots of publication in three to four dozen fields of learning with a budget, even if he is moderately favored, of less than \$1,000 per discipline. With such a state of budgetary poverty, it is absolutely fruitless to consider purchasing books whose price may run a thousand dollars per book or more.

The University trustee, or the average philanthropical benefactor of the causes of higher learning, is also apt to blanch in dismay at the potential fiscal havoc to be wrought by the demands of competition in a field where strife is fierce and where the participants, institutional and private, must have abundant means and lion-like courage to participate. In the older universities, the purpose and tradition of a rare book collection are generally well understood and well-heeled Friends are not lacking. In more recent institutions, the question of rare book collections is generally dismissed by a shrug of the shoulders and the proclamation of complete inability to compete.

Suitable definition of what may be considered a rare book or manuscript is difficult, even by a rare book man. Obviously, a Constance

Missal or a Gutenberg Bible are very rare books. The universal appeal of their subject matter, the existence of few copies, and their unquestioned primacy in the history of printing, are quite sufficient to put them in the deluxe, or over \$100,000 price range. Since there are none of either currently known to be for sale, this may

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A 'RARE' FRIEND . . . Everett L. DeGoyler, Jr. has been associated with rare books all of his life and his friendship to Texas libraries has been truly described as "above and beyond the call of duty." He has succeeded his father, the late Dr. E. L. DeGoyler (internationally known Dallas petroleum geologist and patron of the arts who died in 1956) as the guiding force behind the huge DeGoyler Foundation Library, the main branch of which is located on the third floor of the Southern Methodist University Fondren Library. More than 73,000 volumes comprise the DeGoyler holdings: 26,000 volumes in the Fondren Library, 12,000 volumes in the DeGoyler home and 35,000 volumes housed in the Science Information Center at SMU.

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be a low guess.

Manuscripts are explicable on the basis of their uniqueness, and, in the case of medieval illuminated manuscripts, are as much *objets d'art* as they are books. In short, they come within the equal purview of the librarian and of the museum director. If modern manuscripts of a famous author, they have value both as unique and first-hand testimonials of the struggles involved in the achievement of a work of talent, if not of genius, and likewise can command fearsome tariffs.

The successors of Marcel Proust, for example, recently turned down

a bona fide offer of over \$300,000 for his literary effects. What the effects of even a contemporary author like a Hemingway or a Faulkner might bring in a hypothetical trip to the auction block is merely conjectural, but it is reasonable to guess that even a Harry Winston or a Stanley Marcus might rub his hands in glee at the thought of a similar transaction.

Reducing our sights to a somewhat lower level, however, such effects as the above are rare, even within the comparatively snug, companionable, and limited enclave that is the happy habitat of collectors, dealers, and curators. The average run-of-the-mill rare book that constitute the bulk of even the finest rare book collections, in even comparatively competitive fields, such as Americana, are generally \$25 to \$100 items. This does not compare unfavorably to the acquisition cost of \$10 to \$20 per volume of current books in the arts or sciences.

Strangely enough, there is no particular correlation between high prices and the twin spectres of antiquity and scarcity. Even landmark books, existing in two or three located copies, may sometimes be purchased at quite modest tariffs.

For example, we recently purchased a very nice copy of the John Stevens "Documents Tending to Prove the Superior Advantages of Railways and Steam-carriages over Canal Navigation," in the indisputably prior 1812 edition, which now makes us one of the four owning institutions of this rare pamphlet. Considering that the author was an accomplished inventor, having built the first American locomotive and one of the earliest steamboats with a screw propeller, the tariff of some-

what less than \$200 for the first proposal of a national system of iron railways does not seem exorbitant, and suggests but a modest inflationary increase over the \$125 this item brought when I last saw it catalogued twenty years ago. I do not recall that there is one of these in the library of the Stevens Institute of Technology, the good Colonel's intellectual offspring.

On the other hand, we have had to stretch considerably in the case of the *Travels* of Prince Maximilian of Wied. This is **not** a rare book—there are over seventy located copies of it and, at the time we bought ours, three were for sale, prices ranging from \$3,500 to \$4,500. We were lucky to make the purchase; the other copies were sold within hours. However, the *Travels* has one of the most beautiful sets of lithographed plates of any book. I cannot imagine any reproduction, no matter how skillfully executed, that could compare in quality to the original, any more than a two-dollar print could successfully convey *Mona Lisa*.

If a rare book librarian is worth his salt, he will be constantly on the prowl for current books that are likely to become rare books. The number of these that my father, and now I, have succeeded in acquiring over the years is exceedingly large. Any book that can command double or more its published price immediately upon going out of print is certainly a scarce book and therefore forthwith comes within the domain of the rare-book librarian. A recent example of this is a brand new book, *Dakota Panorama*, published in at least a 1,500 copy edition, that went out of print prior to its first review in a learned journal. It was published at \$6.50 and with-

in a month was quoted at \$15 to \$20. It will doubtlessly bring more in the future.

Now, do reprints, no matter if facsimile or verbatim, lower the asking price of the original edition? The answer appears to be no. Several years ago, we had the opportunity to buy a first of the *Prose and Poetry of the Livestock Industry* for \$750. That was the only form in which the book was then available other than microfilm. A facsimile, and a very skillful one, was made a few years later in an edition of 750 copies to sell at \$100. Outside of one panic quotation at \$450, immediately after, the original still brings \$750. It is, and always will remain, one of the big four cattle books. The facsimile sells for \$100 today, though out of print.

At this point we can state that while intellectual worth, monumentality, scarcity, age, and beauty are all potential factors in the definition of rarity, no one of them, or even all of them put together, are necessarily indicative of a high price. Intellectual fashion is perhaps the most important determinant of all. Example: Witness the first edition craze of the late 1920's which produced price-gratulations akin to those of Krueger and Toll Debentures, American Superpower and Cities Service. You can buy almost any one of these today for a tenth of their high water market. Example two: *Vide* what the Sputnik did to the price of early books in the history of science. An *Agricola De Re Metallica* of 1556, for which I gaspingly paid the price of \$650 in 1957, is now an \$1,800 book in only moderately good condition. *Moral*: There is no time like the present to build a fine book collection, but it would have been

a better idea if you had started to do so 30 or more years ago.

Now, what is the function of the rare book to the academic community? Even if the economics of the business presently look good, like real estate and sometimes the stock market, is all this costly activity worth while? My answer, while prejudiced, is an unqualified yes.

Perhaps it would be simpler to state the proposition in the terms of an analogy. A chemist, to make an experiment, can rule out extraneous reactions only by use of the most pure chemicals. A liberal arts scholar, in the most strict sense of the term, needs chemically pure sources, which in his case means prior editions of known bibliographical provenance. The determination of bibliographical precedence or status is an occupation no less demanding of intellectual ability and concentrated effort than the innermost kinetics of the neutron. This demands original copies of the work in question in as nearly a pristine state as possible.

Subsequent rebinding, trimming, repairing, replacement of missing portions, etc. are as destructive of intellectual purity as sugar in a gasoline tank. If the book in question has intellectual status (and shelving on the sole basis of rarity is unforgivable), the basis for economic competition, reflected in the premium price for such copies is, I think, readily understandable.

All right, then. To create history or literature, one must have an abundance of sources. These sources are frequently available only in the original form, as very few books have more than one edition. The attrition of the first edition is frequently the most

marked in the case of authors who produced one or two early and either commercially or artistically unsuccessful novels and who later go on to produce a work, or works, marked by talent or genius.

By the time talent has manifested itself in the publication of a significant book, the pulp mill has already masticated the unsuccessfully remaindered copies of the early works. It may not be just the pulp-mill, either. Religious or political disfavor of the author, and/or the subject matter, climate, warfare, disaster, fire, disease, and insects are all splendid progenitors of bibliographical attrition.

The successful rare book librarian must know his subject matter thoroughly enough to at least be aware of the influence of these factors as they relate to the relative scarcity of his wares.

The physical format and chemical content of the book itself are of importance. It has been made clearly known to the library world that we are in very imminent danger of losing our entire national literature between 1850 and the present because of the notorious propensity towards decay of sulphite paper and acid-tanned leather. Consequently, the rare book librarian has distinct and onerous duties of preservation.

To sum up then, why a rare book library? We have discussed the economics of the calling and its determinants. We must look

at our ultimate task, which is to increase the prestige of the institution and therefore of the geographical area within which it is located. This prestige can only be made known by meritorious usage of the rare book collection, something which we were somewhat surprised to find to be slow in commencing.

While our local (Dallas) customers have not as yet bulked large in number, we have attracted a quite large group of out-of-state people who seemed to leave pleased with the resources we had at our disposal. Our ultimate ambition is to have, within the framework of our specialties, at least 75% or more of the printed sources upon which any book in these fields must be based plus, of course, pertinent manuscript collections. These last, of course, are difficult to acquire, but they are the carrots which will ultimately make our collections a center of scholarship.

Finally, a rare book collection, no matter how great its excellence, must be in a place where strong general book collections containing proper collateral resources are maintained. This implies a responsibility on the part of the people associated with the rare book collection to do everything they can to promote the entire library group in their area, public, university, school and special, if their own efforts are to bear fruit.

ATLANTA BOOK PUBLISHER WILL SPEAK AT FRIENDS LUNCHEON IN ABILENE



James Saxon Childers

James Saxon Childers, author of 15 books and President of the publishing firm of Tupper & Love, Atlanta, Ga., will be speaker at the April 10 luncheon of the Friends of Texas Libraries and Texas Library Trustee Association at the annual TLA meeting in Abilene.

Childers, a graduate of Oberlin College and Oxford, where he was Rhodes Scholar from Alabama, has written five volumes on his travels in various parts of the world. His most recent work, *The Nation on the Flying Trapeze*, (McKay, 1960) records his

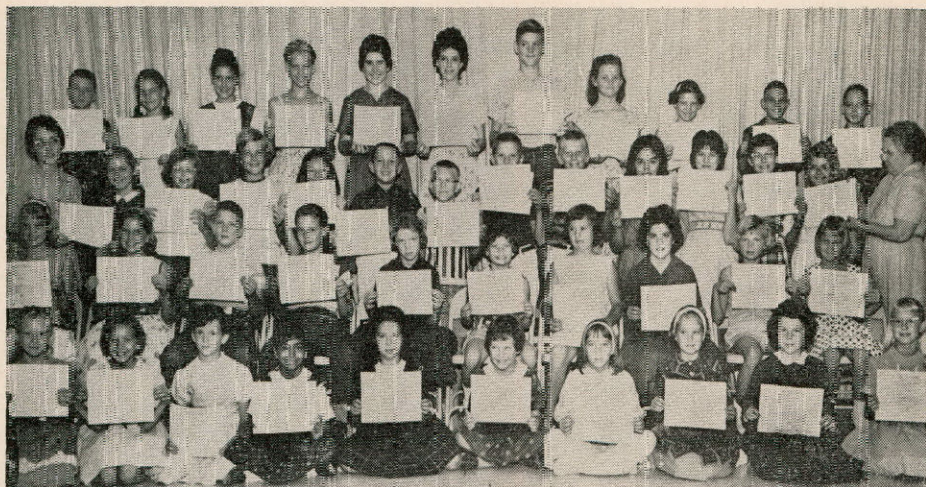
impressions of the views of Far Eastern nations on the United States. He has also written six novels and has contributed to the Reader's Digest and other magazines.

A veteran of both World Wars, Childers served as executive officer, Eighth Air Force in England; later in Africa and the Pacific theatre and was for a time head of the Intelligence Division, Command and General Staff School, Leavenworth, Kansas.

In 1957 he was invited by the U.S. State Department to travel for the International Educational Exchange Program, lecturing at universities and to newspapermen in India, Pakistan, Lebanon, Israel, Korea, The Philippines, Iran and Afghanistan. Prior to this he was for four years Editor of the Atlanta Journal. His earlier associations include teaching English literature at Birmingham-Southern College, writing a column for the Birmingham News and editing the book page of this newspaper.

John B. Corbin, former acquisitions librarian for Arlington State College, Arlington; has been named director of the Texas State Library's Technical Services Division.

Lowell L. Lindsey, former director of the Denison Public Library, has joined the staff of Texas State Library and has been assigned to Field Services Division as a field consultant.



A TYPICAL GRADUATION . . . The picture shows part of the 100 "graduates" of the Texas Reading Club in Kerrville at the Kerr County Library. Mrs. Mary Y. Gadeke, right, said the co-sponsored program was the most successful summer reading event held in years. (Photo—Jorns, Kerrville)

"FRIENDS" GAINED BY LIBRARIES IN 'GOOD OLD SUMMER TIME'

By ELIZABETH KARLE
Field Consultant, Field Services Division
Texas State Library

One of the ways of gaining children as Friends of the Library is to offer them a program and to give them special attention. The Texas State Library through the cooperation of approximately 334 public libraries sponsored the Texas Reading Club, a summer reading program.

This is the fifth year for this joint endeavor to encourage the more than 22,595 boys and girls who joined, to read. They now have a closer feeling towards the library, they have gained in knowledge, and have added to their vocabulary, to say nothing of the worthwhile recreational hours they have had through the reading of good books. Reading twelve books within their age group, listening them on sheets provided by the Texas State Library, and re-

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Texas Reading Club



The fifth freedom...enjoy it!

IS PLEASED TO HAVE AS A MEMBER:

NAME 22,595 YOUNG TEXANS

ADDRESS 318 CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

CITY ALL OVER THE LONE STAR STATE

AGE _____ GRADE _____

NAME OF LIBRARY
OR BOOKSTORE

VISIT TEXAS STATE LIBRARY TO SEE
TEXAS DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
TEXAS LETTER FROM THE ALAMO
ORDINANCE OF PROTECTION
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THE TEXAS BIBLE OF THE COUNCILMAN
A COLLECTION OF WARS TEXANS

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TEXAS STATE LIBRARY-AUSTIN

BOOKS READ DURING MY VACATION

NO.	AUTHOR	TITLE	AUTHOR
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4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____	_____

A Reading Log

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY

TEXAS READING CLUB CERTIFICATE

THIS CERTIFIES THAT
11,272 YOUNG TEXANS EARNED A SIMILAR CERTIFICATE

1963

HAS SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED
THE VACATION READING REQUIREMENTS AND IS
THEREFORE ENTITLED TO THIS RECOGNITION



IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE HAVE HEREUNTO AFFIXED OUR NAMES
AT THE TEXAS ARCHIVES AND LIBRARY, AUSTIN, TEXAS, THIS THE 16TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1963.

H. Kenneth Jackson
DIRECTOR RURAL LIBRARY SERVICE DIVISION



Norman H. Wimpsey
TEXAS STATE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

A COPY OF THE Certificate issued more than 11,272 boys and girls representing more than 330 Texas Libraries.

turning same to the public library, were the only requirements.

Because 11,272 completed the program and received reading certificates which many have framed and hung in their homes, there is every indication that this is the largest reading club in the world.

Various methods of getting the certificates to the winners, sometimes participated in by Friends of the Library, added to the good will towards the library and encouraged others to read more.

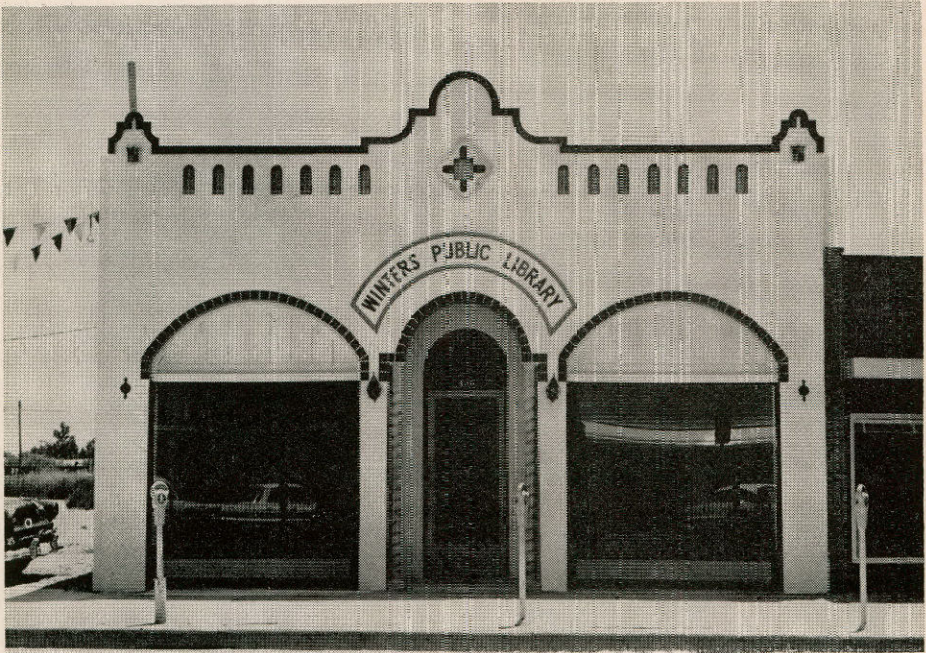
In some places the mayor, county judge, president of Friends, or chairman of the board, handed out the reading certificates making appropriate remarks, taking

pictures, having story hours or book talks, and serving refreshments.

In some areas the certificates were handed out at school assembly programs. Many towns had excellent publicity using pictures of the children and listing each child's name indicating that he received a Texas State Library reading certificate.

In one or two libraries the child who reads the greatest number of books was given a prize consisting of a new story book.

Children are already asking their librarians if there will be a reading club next summer. Yes, indeed there will be — larger than ever!



THE NEW WINTERS PUBLIC LIBRARY
... Friends oversubscribe library's fund drive

LIBRARIAN'S DEVOTION TO COMMUNITY CLIMAXED BY GIANT FRIENDS EFFORT

By LOWELL LINDSEY
Field Consultant
Texas State Library

On October 13, 1963 the new Winters Public Library was formally dedicated. It marked the fulfillment of a dream of Miss Myra Glover whose years of dedicated effort laid the groundwork for the project, and a fitting climax to a campaign which recruited a whole community into a giant "Friends of the Library" organization.

The story of this triumph goes back only a few short years when Miss Glover opened a small library in the corner of the Chamber of Commerce. The project was her own from its inception and for a long time she received very little

encouragement.

Handicapped from birth she had been told she would never walk—she did!

Told she would probably never be able to finish school—she did!

Told that she could not complete a rehabilitation program at the Abilene Public Library — she did!

Thus accustomed to discouragement it is little wonder that she again proved that it is possible to overcome the impossible.

It was not until just a little over a year ago that the towns people realized the gigantic task she had been performing and came to her



MISS MYRA GLOVER

... a "friend" of the
Library 'par excellence.'

aid. At that time Mr. Jerry Ward presented Myra's story to the Winters Licens Club and they offered their support.

A meeting of representatives to the 11 civic clubs was called and the Winters Library Advisory Council was born. Through public subscription well over \$10,000 has been raised and the new home of The Winters Public Library was purchased and remodeled.

From the time when Miss Glover first opened the doors of the library with about 200 volumes it has now grown to over 5,000 and is assured of continued progress because of the devotion of its librarian and hundreds of "Friends" who are determined to fully develop their library resources.

A MEDICAL LIBRARY IS BEFRIENDED

After several months of preparation on the part of Mrs. Ben M. Anderson and Dr. E. L. Crain, Jr. assisted by P. F. Graves, Jr. a group of 26 people interested in the Texas Medical Center Library met on April 5, 1961, at the Jesse H. Jones Library Building with Dr. William D. Seybold as acting chairman and organized the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library with the following officers and directors:

Officers: Mrs. Ben M. Anderson, president; Gen. Maurice Hirsch, vice president; Mrs. R. P. Bushman, secretary; and Henry J. N. Taub, treasurer.

Directors: Dr. Melville L. Cody, Dr. E. L. Crain, Jr., P. F. Graves, Jr., and Miss Frances Heyck.

Ex-Officio Directors: Dr. Stanley W. Olson, dean, Baylor University College of Medicine; Dr. William D. Seybold, representative of the Houston Academy of Medicine; Dr. David Gray, president, Houston Academy of Dentistry, and Miss Virginia Parker, librarian, Texas Medical Center Library.

On that day in April 1961 the library collection consisted of 64,730 volumes, and there were 960 titles on the subscription list. At the end of October 1963 the collection had grown to 75,732 volumes, and the number of subscriptions had increased to 1,148. Of the 11,002 volumes added to the library during this period, 942 were purchased with donations made through the Friends.

In active pursuit of the purpose as stated in the Constitution—"to assist in the development, improvement and expansion of facilities, services and functions of

the Texas Medical Center Library and to support its administration"—the Friends group has grown into a very effective organization which has made the needs of the library known to the community.

There are now 263 members of the Friends. The Friends publication, the *Library Door*, is mailed quarterly to approximately 700 persons. The present officers and directors are: Officers—Royden B. Bowen, president; Gen. Maurice Hirsch, vice president; Mrs. Edward Albert Wilkerson, secretary; and William D. Hawkins, treasurer.

Directors: Mrs. Ben M. Anderson, Dr. E. L. Crain, Jr., Miss Frances Heyck, and Thomas D. McGown.

Ex-Officio Directors: Dr. Stanley W. Olson, dean, Baylor University College of Medicine; Dr. William D. Seybold, representative of the Houston Academy of Medicine; Dr. Charles F. Smayda, president, Houston Academy of Dentistry, and Miss Virginia Parker, librarian, Texas Medical Center Library.

In addition to donations made to the Friends as dues for membership there are many memorial gifts and gifts in honor of living persons on special occasions. Each book is appropriately marked with a Friends bookplate showing the name of the donor and the honoree. These volumes have contributed substantially to the information the library has been able to disseminate in its effort to keep pace with the progress that is being made in the field of medicine.

A Friends organization can be
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of great value to a medical library.

Ours has been!

—Virginia Parker
Librarian, Texas Medical
Center Library
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AN AUTHOR FRIEND . . . Colonel Harold B. Simpson, second from left, presents his book, "Gaines' Mill to Appomattox," to Governor John Connally as other Friends of Texas Libraries look on. They are Dr. Dorman H. Winfrey, left, director and Librarian of Texas State Library; Robert (Bob) Davis (in white suit) and Sam Lanham, co-publishers of the book and owners of Texian Press, Waco. Colonel Simpson told Governor Connally "this book could not have been written without the wholehearted cooperation of the staff of the Library's Archives Division and without the valuable records, maps and other holdings of the Archives. The State Library has been described many times as 'the Friend' to authors working on subjects dealing with Texas history and I heartily endorse the statement."

LA FERIA LIBRARY WINS \$1,000.00 BOOK-OF-THE-MONTH NATIONAL AWARD

For the third consecutive year a Texas library has been cited by the Book-of-the-Month Club, New York, as one of the outstanding "small" libraries in the United States. This year the La FERIA Bailey H. Dunlap Memorial Library has been notified that it is one of the 35 libraries to win State honors, according to information

received by Dr. Dorman H. Winfrey, director and librarian, Texas State Library.

The Main Award of \$5,000 in addition to nine Honorable Mention \$1,500 Awards will be announced in January.

Last year the Dumas Killgore Memorial Library was an honorable mention award winner and

the year before the Del Rio Val Verde County Library was so honored.

Two libraries from each State, which serve a population of 25,000 or less, were eligible to compete in the 5th annual Dorothy Canfield Fisher Library Award. State winners were selected by Texas State Library professional librarians. National winners, including the 10 named for the top awards, were chosen by a panel of librarians representing the Public Library Association of American Library Association.

Fredericksburg's Pioneer Memorial Library was the other entry from Texas, according to H. Kenneth Jackson, director of Field Services Division of State Library, who was in charge of handling all applications on the State level.

La Feria's Bailey H. Dunlap Memorial Library is located in a new \$25,000 building, a gift of Mrs. B. H. Dunlap and family in memory of her husband, an early resident of the community and its first mayor.

Money for furnishing the new building, which was dedicated July 12, 1963, came from a general fund campaign which raised more than \$8,000, according to Mrs. John W. Marshall, librarian.

The library's present collection totals approximately 5,951 volumes. It's circulation last year was more than 7,952 including service to the communities of Santa Rosa, Santa Maria and Blue Town.

La Feria, located in western Cameron county in the Valley, has a population (1960) of approximately 3,047. The area was first inhabited by Mexican ranchers prior to 1780, however, it did not have Anglo-American settlers until after the railroad was estab-

lished in 1910.

Library officials had indicated on the application: "if our library wins an award much of the money will be used to strengthen the Latin-American collection because so many of our patrons enjoy reading Spanish."

Members of the Library board are: J. A. Hawkins, Jr., chairman; George C. Dunlap, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. R. C. Hecht, Mrs. John C. Jones, Jr., W. E. Holley, C. E. Vail, Mrs. A. G. M. Martin III and J. L. Gavito, Jr.

The \$1,000 check from the Book-of-the-Month Club will be presented on Sunday, April 12, 1964—the first day of National Library Week, according to Harry Scherman, Book - of - the - Month Club board chairman.

TPA HISTORICAL EDITION OFFERED TO LIBRARIES

Librarians may be interested to know that paperbound issues of the historical edition (1954) of the Texas Press Association are available at \$5.00 per copy. The magazine contains 226 pages and is approximately 8½x11½ inches in size.

Vern Sanford, manager of TPA, said, "we will be glad to send a complimentary copy to any library in Texas." The address, Texas Press Association, 1716 San Antonio, Austin, Texas 78701.

Choice, the new magazine published by the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association, will appear in March, 1964. As indicated by the title, *Choice* will discuss books for college libraries. The yearly subscription price is \$20.00.

“Words that changed the world” . . .

IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776. A DECLARATION BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN GENERAL CONGRESS ASSEMBLED.

WHEN in the Course of human Events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the Political Bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the Powers of the Earth, the separate and equal Station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation.

We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are, Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness—that to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just Powers from the Consent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its Foundation on such Principles, and organizing its Powers in such Form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient Causes; and according to all Experience, hath shown, that Mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the Forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long Train of Abuses and Usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object, engenders a Desire to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their Right, it is their Duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future Security. Such has been the patient Sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the Necessity which constrains them to alter their former System of Government. The History of the present King of Great-Britain is a History of repeated Injuries and Usurpations, all having in direct Object the Establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid World.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public Good.
He has forbidden his Governour to pass Laws of immediate and pressing Importance, unless suspended till their Operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to assent to Laws for the Accommodation of large Districts of People, unless those People would relinquish the Right of Representation in the Legislature, a Right inalienable to them, and formidable to Tyrants only.

He has called together Legislative Bodies at Places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the Depository of their public Records, for the sole Purpose of fatiguing them into Compliance with his Measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly Firmness his Injustices on the Rights of the People.

He has refused for a long Time, after such Dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean Time exposed to all the Dangers of Invasion from without, and Convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the Population of these States; for that Purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their Migration hither, and raising the Conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers.
He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the Tenure of their Offices, and the Amount and Payment of their Salaries.

He has erected a Multitude of new Offices, and sent hither Swarms of Officers to harass our People, and eat out their Substance.
He has kept among us, in Times of Peace, Standing Armies, without the Consent of our Legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil Power.
He has combined with others to subject us to a Jurisdiction foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our Laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For quartering large Bodies of Armed Troops among us;
For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from Punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States;
For cutting off our Trade with all Parts of the World;

For imposing Taxes on us in many Cases, of the Benefits of Trial by Jury;
For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended Offences;

For abolishing the best System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an arbitrary Government, and enlarging its Boundaries, so as to render us at once an Example and fit Instrument for introducing the same absolute Rule into these Colonies;

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments;

For imposing on our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with Power to legislate for us in all Cases whatsoever.

For depriving us in many Cases, of the Benefits of Trial by Jury.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our Seas, ravaged our Towns, and destroyed the Lives of our People.
He is, at this Time, transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the Works of Death, Desolation, and Tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty and Perfidy, scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous Ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized Nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the Executioners of their Friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited domestic Insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the Inhabitants of our Frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known Rule of Warfare, is an undistinguished Destruction, of all Ages, Sexes and Conditions.

In every Stage of this Oppression we have Petitioned for Redress, in the most humble Terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated Injury. A Prince, whose Character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the Ruler of a free People.

Now have we been warning in Attention to our British Brethren. We have warned them from Time to Time of Attempts by their Legislature to extend an unwarrantable Jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the Circumstances of our Emigration and Settlement here. We have appealed to their native Justice and Magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the Ties of our common Kindred to disavow their Usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our Connection and Correspondence. They too have been deaf to the Voice of Justice and Consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the Necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of Mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace, Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in GENERAL CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the Rectitude of our Intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, formally publish and Declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be, FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES; that they are absolved from all Allegiance to the King of Great-Britain, and that all political Connection between them and the said King of Great-Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which INDEPENDENT STATES may of right do. And for the Support of this Declaration, with a firm Reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.

Signed by ORDER and in BEHALF of the CONGRESS,

JOHN HANCOCK, PRESIDENT.

ATTEST.
CHARLES THOMSON, SECRETARY.

PHILADELPHIA: PRINTED BY JOHN DUNLAP.

AMONG THE GREAT DOCUMENTS included in the Friends-sponsored exhibit, “Words That Changed the World,” at the Dallas Public Library was this first broadside printing of the Declaration of Independence, loaned by the Lilly Library of Indiana University.



MRS. ROBERT T. PHINNEY, JR., PRESIDENT of the Friends of the Dallas Public Library, examines a scale model of the display units which housed "Words That Changed the World," the Dallas Public Library exhibit sponsored by the Friends. With her are Decherd Turner, special consultant for the exhibit, and Downing Thomas, one of the set designers.

Friends of Dallas Public Library Sponsor Million-Dollar Exhibit

"Words That Changed the World," the Dallas Public Library exhibition that recently attracted national attention, climaxes a long record of distinguished service by the Friends of the Dallas Public Library, who sponsored the \$1 million show.

The Dallas Friends, currently headed by Mrs. Robert T. Phinney, Jr. as president and A. G. Schlosstein, Jr. as board chairman, contributed importantly to the planning of the exhibit, raised the special funds necessary to fi-

nance it, and devoted hundreds of volunteer hours to committee work involved in various aspects of the project.

As the title indicates, the exhibit comprised original manuscripts and early printings of books and documents that have exerted a powerful influence on the Western World. The 64 items, ranging in date from the 13th to the 20th centuries, were assembled from major, private and institutional collections throughout the country.

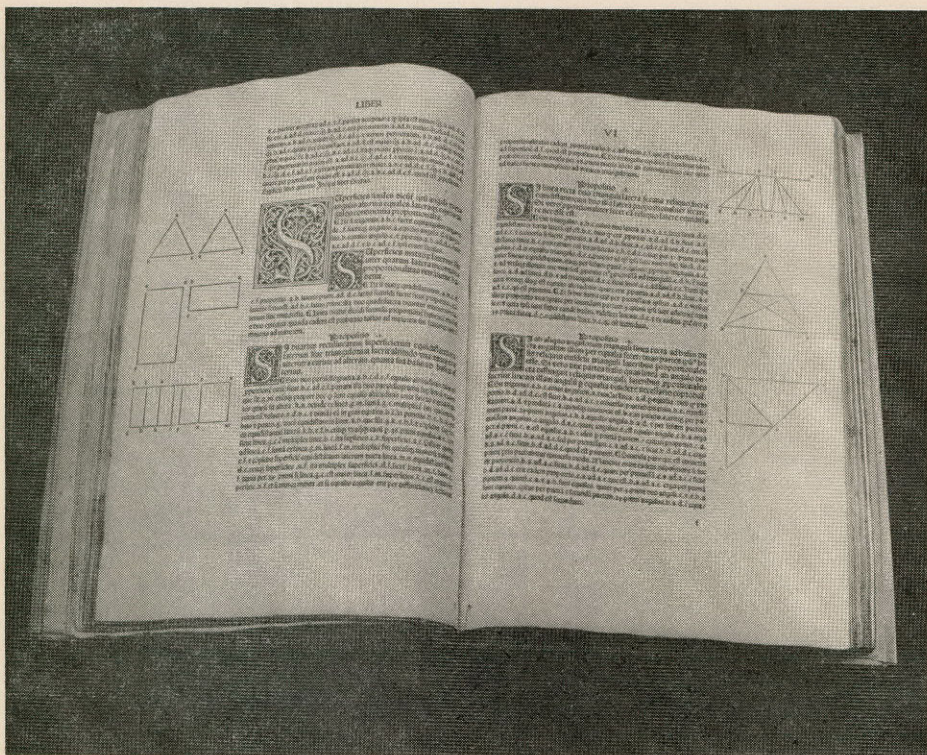
Among the many priceless items in the exhibit were the Gutenberg Bible, a 1250 manuscript of the Magna Charta, Columbus' report of his discoveries in the New World, both a manuscript and an early printing of Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, a Shakespeare first folio, the first broadside printing of the Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson's personal copy of the Bill of Rights, the first complete printing of Einstein's theory of relativity (1916), and Pope John XXIII's *Mater et Magistra*, published in July 1961.

The books and documents were grouped under four rubrics according to their contributions to man's efforts to know himself, to

understand his world, to live with his fellow man, and to see himself imaginatively.

The exhibit was organized by the library staff, headed by Mrs. Lillian Bradshaw, director. Decherd Turner, head of the Bridwell Library at Southern Methodist University, served as special consultant.

From the outset one of the Friends' major concerns was to see that the exhibit was displayed in a manner befitting its significance. They engaged architect Downing Thomas and artist Paul Harris to design the special settings, which one important figure in the book world called "an important breakthrough in the visual presentation



THIS COPY OF EUCLID'S "Elements of Geometry," printed in 1482, was loaned by the Bridwell Library of Southern Methodist University for the Friends-sponsored exhibition, "Words That Changed the World" at the Dallas Public Library.

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of rare books.”

By blacking out the walls and ceiling of the exhibition gallery with dark coverings, the designers focused attention on internally lighted glass columns. The books and manuscripts, displayed on glass shelves within the lighted columns, gave the effect of being suspended in time and space. Enlargements of illustrations from some of the volumes in the exhibit also were used to handsome effect in the design of the display.

While sponsorship of this exhibition is the most ambitious project yet undertaken by the Dallas Friends, it is only one of the many ways in which they have contributed to the growth and effectiveness of the Dallas Public Library system.

In the past the Friends have given influential support to bond issues that built a new central library and several branch libraries. The Friends also financed a survey of future needs of the library system, purchased a bookmobile to carry books to areas not yet served by branch libraries, have sponsored special art and book exhibits, added books to the library shelves, and secured gifts of books from other groups and individuals.

The Dallas Friends, organized in 1950, now number over 700.

FROM ITALY

“As the subject of your review is very interesting, I would like to be on your mailing list.” Luciano Zanotti, via San Felice, 81, Bologna, Italia.

Mrs. Marie Shultz, who earned a master's degree in library science this spring from Texas Woman's University, Denton, has joined the State Library staff and has been assigned as a field consultant in the Field Services Division.

Two Libraries Gain National Recognition

Val Verde County Library, Del Rio, and the Dallas Public Library, Dallas, have been cited for their top-flight public relations programs. Both Texas libraries had entered the nation-wide John Cotton Dana Publicity Awards Contest, sponsored by the Wilson Library Bulletin, New York City, a pioneer trade publication devoted to the library field. The event, now in its 18th year, is co-sponsored by the American Library Association's Public Relations Section.

Val Verde County Library was recognized in December, 1961 as one of the 10 best small libraries in the United States by winning honorable mention in the Book-of-the-Month Club Dorothy Canfield Fisher Awards Contest for library management. The John Cotton Dana citation of honorable mention, the only one awarded to a library serving a population of less than 25,000 stated: “for its effective use of a Dorothy Canfield Fisher award as a stepping-stone to attain library goals, particularly a new library building.”

Dallas Public Library won first place in the large-city library category serving populations of more than 500,000. The citation stated: “for excellence in demonstrating the full range of the library's services, with particular emphasis on a bond issue campaign and the handling of a censorship problem.”

Mrs. Bess Bradley is librarian in charge of the Val Verde County Library and Mrs. Lillian Bradshaw is director of the Dallas Public Library.



ORGANIZATION OF A FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUP was one of the main topics at the State Library sponsored April workshop for library-minded persons of Hill, Somervell and Coryell Counties held in Hillsboro. This group of ladies from the tri-county area was caught by the Library's photographer as they registered to ask for Friends of Texas Libraries supplies to take back home to aid in promoting other FOTL units.



TWENTY LADIES FROM Odem, Portland, Refugio, Rockport, Sinton and Taft gathered at the Taft Public Library last Spring for a workshop on cataloging. Shown are Mrs. E. N. Tutt, chairman of the Library Committee of the Taft Women's Club who co-sponsored the event with State Library. Mrs. J. B. Mitchell, right, librarian of Taft Public Library said, "this is another fine example of the work being done for library development in the State that could not be achieved without the cooperation of Friends of Texas Libraries."

TLA LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES SIX SUBCOMMITTEES

Perhaps the most important provision of the "Plan for State-wide Library Development"¹ was this: The Library Development Committee of Texas Library Association "will delegate some of its planning function to subcommittees, reserving to itself the privilege of review, coordination, and final recommendation to Board and Council of plans completed by the subcommittees." Chairmen were appointed for six subcommittees and the membership of three was quickly completed.

The first three subcommittees to be set up were charged to formulate, or choose, standards for a given type of library and recommend them to TLA for adoption for Texas libraries. As the Plan read:

LDC strongly recommends that standards for public, junior college and senior college libraries be adopted for Texas. The Committee suggests standards should be set so that the gap between present-day service and that described in the standards could be bridged within ten years by the majority of libraries in which a real effort is made, by librarians and community, to meet the standards.

Members of the three subcommittees, charged to recommend standards for adoption by TLA, are the following:

Subcommittee on Texas Standards for Junior College Libraries:

Lola Rivers Thompson, Assistant Professor, Library School, The University of Texas, Chairman

Frank D. Hankins, Librarian, Del Mar College Library, Corpus Christi

Bruno C. Homeyer, Librarian, Zachary Taylor Library, Brownsville

Mrs. Mattie Howard, Librarian, Lee College, Baytown

Mrs. Lois Parker Rowland, Librarian, Victoria College, Victoria

Subcommittee on Texas Standards for Public Libraries:

¹The "Plan" was published in full in the Summer, 1963 issue of *Texas Libraries*.

Mrs. Rosalyne Shamblin, Assistant City Librarian, Mary E. Bivins Memorial Library, Amarillo, Chairman

Thomas Bogie, Chief, Technical Services, Dallas Public Library

Ann Hornack, Assistant Director, Houston Public Library

Mrs. Margaret Hoyal, Librarian, Midland Public Library

Charles O'Halloran, Librarian, Rosenberg Library, Galveston

H. Kenneth Jackson, Director, Field Services Division, Texas State Library

Subcommittee on Texas Standards for Senior College and University Libraries:

James F. Govan, Head Librarian, Trinity University, San Antonio, Chairman

Ray C. Janeway, Librarian, Texas Technological College, Lubbock

Maxine Johnston, Reference Librarian, Lamar State College of Technology, Beaumont

David A. Webb, Director, North Texas State University Library, Denton

The use to be made of the standards was described in the "Plan":

The Committee sees the standards used not only to make progress toward accomplishment of the Plan but to inform laymen about the quality of the library they support; trustees and Friends could make good use of the standards also. The Committee agreed that whatever standards are adopted,

they should be expressed in quantitative terms or that quantitative interpretations be prepared so the standards can be applied, or at least understood, by laymen.

The Subcommittee on Texas Standards for Senior College and University Libraries was the first to report, and its report is printed in full in the Winter issue of *Texas Library Journal*. The Library Development Committee has not yet approved the report, but it is printed for all to read, and all members of TLA are strongly urged to read it. The reports of the other two standards committees will be published in later issues of *TLJ*, and the three sets of standards will be voted on during the Abilene conference.

Three other subcommittees of LDC and their chairmen are named below:

Subcommittee on Centers for Library Service and Resources in Texas

Fred Folmer, Associate Librarian, The University of Texas, Chairman

Subcommittee on Certification of Texas Librarians

Dr. Robert R. Douglass, Director, Library School, The University of Texas, Chairman

Subcommittee on the State Library

Mrs. Lillian Bradshaw, Director, Dallas Public Library, Chairman

These last named subcommittees will need at least two years to complete their study and make their reports. (They will not report at the Abilene Conference.) More about them will be printed in a future issue of *Texas Libraries*.

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★ FRIENDS ★ MAKE ★ NEWS

ABILENE — The annual Friends of the Library dinner, an open house program, and special displays were highlights for National Library Week at Abilene Public Library. The dinner was in the basement of the public library on April 25, with Pascal Covici, Jr., associate professor of English at Southern Methodist University, as special speaker. John Pope, president of the Friends of the Library, presided. Board members of the Friends of the Library organization and Abilene Public Library board members greeted visitors at the library during open house Sunday, April 21.

AMARILLO—A sum of one thousand dollars in dimes and quarters was raised on June 8 at the annual Friends of the Library book sale held on the lawn of the Public Library. Some 5,000 books or sets of books donated by citizens were sold. Receipts from the book sale this year were added to the Lillie Hostetler Scholarship Loan Fund which has been set up by the Friends of the Library to enable some Amarillo library staff members to earn degrees in library science.

A one-day workshop sponsored by the Friends of the Amarillo Library and Amarillo Library Board was held on March 2 in the Mary E. Bivens Memorial Library. Representatives from the 44-county area of District I of Texas Library Association attended the workshop. The purpose of the meeting was to translate the high-sounding purposes of a library into an understandable, workable

formula. Sometimes a web of misinformation is formed between the library and its community, and this is the gap which the workshop attempted to close. The workshop was the first held in Texas for the expressed purpose of providing factual information to library board members and Friends groups, and to interested persons who might desire to organize a Friends unit.

ARLINGTON — About 100 persons attended a reception given by Friends of the Library, personal friends, and wives of city and school officials, for Mrs. T. A. Lee, who retired in May after 30 years as head of the Arlington library system. Mayor Tom J. Vandergriff said, "Certainly few have ever served a community so long, so well and so faithfully."

AUSTIN—The 10th annual meeting of Friends of the Austin Public Library was held January 29 at the Howson Branch Library. The program included presentation of awards in the historical essay contest and an address by Mrs. Helen Taft Manning. Mrs. Manning is the daughter of the former President and Chief Justice William Howard Taft and sister of the late Senator Robert Taft. Trueman O'Quinn, president of Friends, presented prizes to winners in the essay contest, which was sponsored by *The American-Statesman* and Friends of the Library.

BAYTOWN—An estimated 4,000 persons visited Baytown's new Sterling Municipal Library following ribbon-cutting ceremonies on February 25. Dr. Dorman Winfrey, director and librarian, Texas State Library, snipped the ribbon with a pair of shears donated to the State of Texas in 1902 by

Phineas de Cordova, an Austin editor. The Baytown City Council of 1961 called a bond election after much civic support had been shown for the library project through Friends of the Library, other groups and individuals. Representatives from a number of Baytown clubs were sent to meetings of the Friends of the Library to "get the ball rolling" for the new library.

BEEVILLE—Initial steps were taken in October to organize a Friends of the Library group in Bee County and a number of \$1 membership fees from individuals throughout the county were received. The goal was that each community in Bee County be well represented in the membership roster. All money taken in will be used to improve the Bee County Public Library.

BELLAIRE—The Bellaire Library staff and members of the Friends of the Bellaire Library busily mapped strategy for "Operation Booklift" at 2 p.m. on April 27. That was the hour when Boy Scouts swarmed over the city collecting used books which residents had been asked to leave on their front porches. Purpose of "Operation Booklift" was to replenish the supply of books for the Used Book Sales held periodically by the Friends. Proceeds from the sale were used to buy new books and equipment for the library.

Friends of the Bellaire Library assisted with arrangements for open house on May 8 to celebrate the first anniversary of the opening of the new library building on Jessamine Street.

BROWNWOOD—The Friends of the Library sponsored an open house at Carnegie Public Library

on April 21 to celebrate National Library Week. Approximately 100 persons attended the occasion where an exhibit of Texas books by Brownwood authors was the main attraction.

BRYAN—A check for \$100 was given to the Carnegie Library by the Friends to buy books and equipment. The American Association of University Women organized the Friends of Bryan Carnegie Library and has contributed to its support.

COMFORT—More than 80 persons attended the annual spring dinner meeting of the Kendall County Friends of the Library on April 25. Speaker for the occasion was R. Henderson Shuffler of the University of Texas and director of Texana. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Toepperwein of Boerne, authors of books for children.

DALLAS—Miss Chaste Lang, a 91-year-old wonder of a woman, showed the Friends of the Dallas Public Library that she's as good at giving surprises as getting them. The Friends had dispatched Robert Phinney, president and Mrs. Lillian Bradshaw, librarian, to Miss Lang's home to present her with a certificate naming her the first honorary member of the Friends. The award was given in recognition of Miss Lang's "long and devoted friendship" as a member of the group which founded the Dallas Public Library in 1898. No sooner had the surprise presentation been made than Miss Lang turned with a twinkle in her eye and handed Mrs. Bradshaw a generous and totally unexpected contribution to the library. The gift is typical of Miss Lang's unselfish interest and sup-

port of the Dallas Public Library through the years, a spokesman said.

An exhibition of rare books and manuscripts, valued at more than one million dollars, was presented by the Dallas Public Library November 18 through December 31, under the auspices of the Friends of the Library. The title of the exhibit is "Words That Changed the World." It includes manuscripts and early printings of books and documents that have exerted a great influence on the Western world. Among the many outstanding items in the collection will be a manuscript of the Magna Charta (circa 1300), the Gutenberg Bible, the Pigafetta *Report of the Magellan Voyage*, Euclid's *The Elements of Geometrie*, Chaucer's *Canterbury Tales*, the first printing of the *Bill of Rights* and Einstein's *The Principle of Relativity*.

EAGLE PASS — A membership drive was in progress for Friends of the Library in Eagle Pass during National Library Week. Members were urged to send in the renewal blanks they received in the mail and were asked to obtain two new members for the 1963 campaign.

FORT WORTH — The Friends of the Library sponsored a Book and Author luncheon April 26. The luncheon recognized 13 authors of the Greater Fort Worth area who have published books in the last year. Sam B. Cantey III served as master of ceremonies. The honored authors were Joseph Scott, Mrs. Edgar Deen, Mrs. Joe Clarke, Ben Procter, Cothburn O'Neal, W. C. Nunn, C. W. Scudder, Austin L. Porterfield, Mrs. Del Barron, Miss Virginia Ely,

Dave Lewis, Mrs. Norton McGiffin, and Mrs. W. E. Boswell.

God vs. Satan was the main event of a two-rounder September 24 at the Fort Worth Public Library Auditorium. It was the first fall event of the Friends of the Library Community Program. The event was a concert reading of the Archibald McLeish play "J.B." followed by a demonstration Great Books discussion of "The Book of Job" from the Bible, which provided the plot for "J.B."

GALVESTON — Friends of the Rosenberg Library donated \$2,000 to the elevator fund of the library at the annual meeting of the organization in June. Plans for the placing of the elevator have not been completed.

GATESVILLE — Coryell County Friends of the Library staged its annual drive for members during National Library Week. To date, through the Friends efforts, book-mobile service has been made available to most communities of the county and more than \$300 worth of books have been purchased for the Gatesville Public Library. A proposed budget for a city-county library facility was presented by the Friends last year to both the commissioners court and city council.

HOUSTON—The Arts Council of Harris County and the Friends of the Houston Public Library celebrated the Friends group's 10th anniversary with a program March 3 in the Norma Meldrum Children's Room of the Central Library. The program, "An Afternoon with the Arts," included an exhibition of paintings and bronzes.

KERRVILLE — Friends of the Kerr County Library held a recog-

nition Dinner early in March at the Blue Bonnet Hotel with the late Dr. W. P. Webb as the speaker. Dr. Webb was introduced by James Strange, a member of the faculty at the Schreiner Institute, Kerrville.

On October 17 at the Kerr County Friends dinner meeting Guido E. Ransleben told the large group of men and women the importance of collecting local history material. He is editor of *One Hundred Years of Comfort in Texas* and has an interesting personal library in his home in Comfort. Enough money was collected at the Friends meeting and from donations to re-roof Kerr County Library and to make other repairs.

KYLE—The Kyle Friends of the Library sponsored a program of folk songs and ballads on February 21. The program featured old English ballads, topical ballads that are historically significant, sentimental ballads and religious and modern songs in the folk tradition. All proceeds went to the new Kyle Community Library.

LA MARQUE—O. T. Carlisle, representing Friends of the La Marque Library, and Charles O'Halloran, Rosenberg librarian, presented a thorough study of library needs for the city to the meeting of the La Marque City Council. Mayor J. C. Crowder complimented the consultants for the carefully prepared proposals and the council took them under advisement.

LAMESA—Friends of the Library met in October in the library room to plan activities for the upcoming year. During the meeting R. A. Gorsline, librarian of the Dawson County Library, was presented

with a check for \$60 to purchase children's books.

LEVELLAND — Charter officers of the Friends of Texas Libraries, Levelland branch, were elected in May at an organizational meeting. Officers elected include Dave Stanley, president; Howard Vaughan, first vice-president; L. F. Rawson, second vice-president; and Mrs. W. R. Simon, treasurer. Ray Jane-way, Texas Tech librarian, was speaker at the event.

LOCKHART — Approximately 50 persons met at Dr. Eugene Clark Library in February and elected officers for a Friends of the Library organization. Following election of officers, proposed projects were discussed. Increasing membership was one of the first undertakings because it takes members to create support and money to operate. Continuance of the bookmobile is the immediate aim of the group.

LONGVIEW—The south room of the Nicholson Memorial Library is to be remodeled into a business reading and exhibit room. The project is being sponsored by the Friends of the Library. A quiet place for readers of business publications as well as a central location of these periodicals has long been needed. The increasing interest by the public in exhibits and art shows has created a need for an exhibit facility. Art shows have helped increase library traffic, and it is believed this new room will actually assist in increasing the circulation trend at the Nicholson Library.

LUFKIN — Kurth Memorial Library has received a check for \$932.58 from Lufkin Friends of the Library. Barney A. Bradshaw, president of the Friends, said that

the money which was raised through donations by several hundred people, was given to the library to pay for a \$550 microfilm reader. The remainder of the money will be used to begin a microfilm collection.

MESQUITE — The newly organized Friends of the Mesquite Public Library group has received tangible evidence of support from two sources. A \$200 cash contribution was offered by *The Texas Mesquiter* to launch the library association. Big Town Company's general manager, Howard A. Sobel, announced that the shopping center firm signed up for a \$100 life membership. Support of civic and service clubs, women's clubs, and other community groups was sought to help develop a first-class library for Mesquite citizens. Many organizations, including the Council of Women's Clubs, have demonstrated interest in the library project.

MONAHANS — Official board of the Friends of Ward County Library met April 21 to discuss the library development that is possible with an interested public behind the organization. Mrs. Charles Spence of Pecos was the speaker for the occasion. The Monahans Lions Club has 100 percent club membership in the Friends.

MOUNT PLEASANT—A planning meeting of a Friends of the Library organization was held on April 2. James L. Love, Diboll, was present to speak to the group and answer questions. Mount Pleasant is in need of a ground floor library, and it is the belief that a Friends of the Library organization can help bring this about.

NAVASOTA—The Friends of the Library in Grimes County held a membership drive during National Library Week. Everyone was urged to renew their memberships.

ODESSA — The fourth annual meeting of Friends of the Ector County Library was held April 21. The accomplishments of the Friends for the year include: increasing the library budget through cooperation with County Commissioners; obtaining books and magazines and 258 memorial books; increasing memberships and library hours; purchasing three films for the Children's Hour; providing library displays; arranging meetings of executive officers, and providing financial assistance to buy a Regiscope.

PASADENA—Friends of the Pasadena Public Library presented a film during National Library Week in the lecture room of the library. The film, "Our Sun," related how ancient man looked up to the sun as a god, and told of the efforts of modern man to harness its power for use. A reception was held in the library after the showing of the film. Friends of the Library sponsored the film as its share of the week-long celebration of National Library Week.

PEARSALL—When the Frio Public Library was being organized it was decided to make a small charge to each family of two dollars for a year's membership. Now after seeing the tremendous turnout of children to the summer reading program where books were read without charge, the directors of the library announced the services of the library will be free to all who are willing to care for the books and return them in good condition. Families who

subscribed to the library will be charter members of Friends of the Frio Public Library and their names will be on a scroll displayed in the library. This greater membership will make a need for the library to stay open longer but finances at this time are the major drawback. A great many Friends can change the Frio Public Library to an adequate library.

RICHLAND HILLS—Mrs. Edith Deen, author and former press columnist, autographed an early copy of her new book, *Family Living in the Bible*, as part of the official opening of Richland Hills new public library in March. Both the Friends of the Library and the Richland Jaycees helped raise funds for furnishing the \$30,000 facility. The building itself, which houses 20,000 volumes, was financed by the City of Richland Hills.

SAN ANTONIO—Friends of the San Antonio Public Library presented a special program, "Behind the Stacks; How Your Library Serves You," in September at Westfall Branch Library. The program included a panel discussion by various members of the library staff, telling of their departmental functions. Irwin Sexton, director of the library, was coordinator of the discussion.

SEGUIN—The Seguin and Guadalupe County Friends of the Library was organized in the spring of 1957, following three years of editorializing in the *Enterprise's* column, "Purely Personal," for increased library facilities in Seguin. As a result of the interest created in the project, a steering committee was set up by the local American Association of University Women and a Friends of the Li-

brary group was organized.

Friends were responsible for a meeting in which city and county officials heard a panel discussion of library needs. A resolution asking for immediate action by the officials with regard to increased library facilities, as well as a request that a Library Board be appointed was passed.

Through the efforts of the Friends two called meetings of the city council and county commissioners were held and both official groups voted to provide annual maintenance and operation funds of \$7,500 each for a new library.

A permanent Library Board has been named to supervise plans for a building drive as well as to supervise the current library. Thus the Friends of the Library have now accomplished their first goal—that of securing minimum support for the proposed new library and the appointment of a permanent library board. Funds from annual memberships are to be used for purchasing new books for the new library, and the Friends plan to function in the future as a year-round aid to the new library.

WACO—Friends of the Waco Public Library were on the lookout for new members during National Library Week. The association of library backers raised money through various projects to buy books and equipment the library cannot afford to purchase from budgeted funds. A check for \$4,500 was given to the Waco Public Library by the Friends to purchase additional books needed to stock the library's new bookmobile trailer. The trailer is a gift of Cooper Foundation of Waco. A notable "other project" of the friends is the library's Schumacher Rare Book Room. Friends have

furnished the room so that it recreates the atmosphere of the old library. Friends handle all funds the library receives for gift and memorial books. Friends are also studying the library's young adult collection, which the library is trying to improve.

WEATHERFORD—Friends of the Library held a used book sale and the proceeds went toward the purchase of books for the Weatherford Children's Library.

WOODVILLE—The Tyler County Friends of the Library met in June and heard a talk by Henk Henni, a native of Holland. Henni showed beautiful color slides during his description of Holland, its people and customs.

AUSTIN—Friends of the Austin Public Library and the *American-Statesman* are sponsoring the eighth annual local history essay contest. Students are urged to use material found in the Austin-Travis County collection. Awards are \$100 for first prize, \$50 for second prize, \$25 for third prize, and \$5 for honorable mention.

LAMPASAS — Friends of Lampasas Library are sponsoring a survey of reading preferences in Lampasas. To make this survey, questionnaires will be printed in two issues of the *Dispatch and Record*, asking people what sort of books they would like to read and have the library obtain. This is one of the Friends' projects to stimulate interest in the library.

LAMESA—Friends of the Dawson County Library will sponsor "The Children's Hour" once each month for children five to eight years of age. Volunteer story tellers from local residents and Senior Girl Scouts will help in this project.

TRINITY—Friends of the Library are urging citizens to pledge towards the library building fund. The concrete slab has been poured and some lumber is on the site. The building is being built one step at a time, depending on the funds available.

HENDERSON — A newly-formed organization, the Friends of the Rusk County Library, appeared before Rusk County Commissioners Court in September to ask that

county funds be set aside in future budgets to build a new Henderson-Rusk County library building. The Friends of the Rusk County Library was organized September 25. The first objective adopted by the group was: "To bring into being a new Rusk County library building with improved facilities as a cooperative effort of the County and City of Henderson." Other citizens interested in the library are invited to join the Friends of the Rusk County Library.

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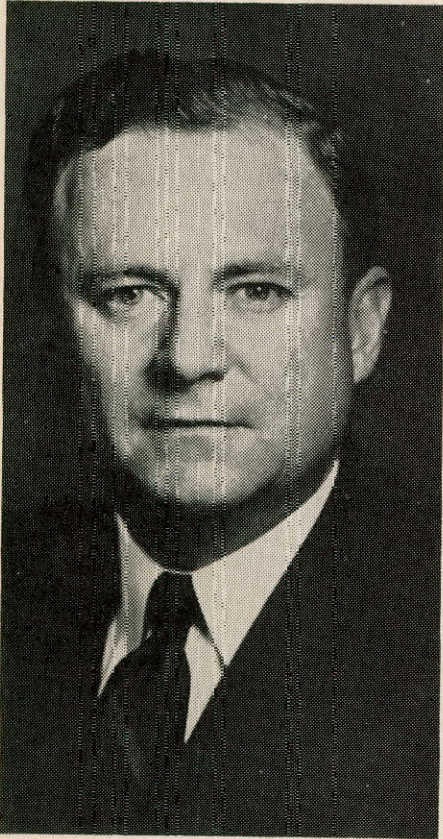
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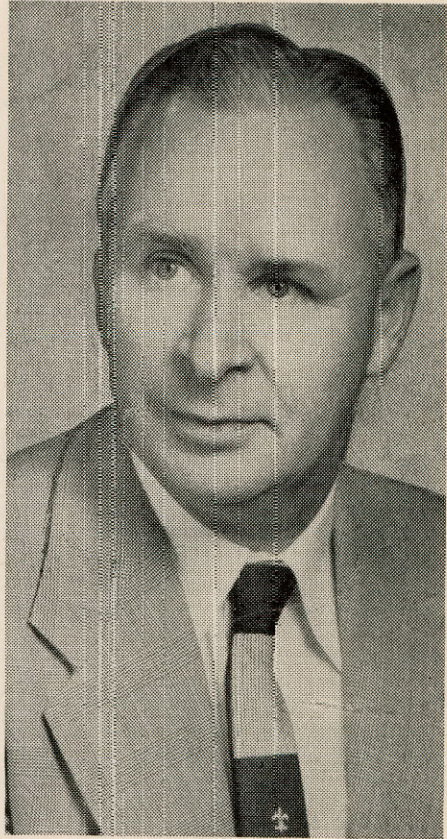
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TWO COMMISSIONERS NAMED



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WILLIAM H. GARDNER
Houston

Governor John Connally named two outstanding Texans to the State Library and Historical Commission January 11. They are: former Governor Price Daniel of Liberty and Austin and William H. Gardner, managing editor of the *Houston Post*.

Daniel and Gardner will succeed Mrs. Albert R. Cauthorn, Del Rio and Dr. Edmund Heinsohn, Austin. The Governor appointed both men to serve six-year terms.

Former Governor Daniel was recently cited by the Texas Libra-

ry Association at the 50th anniversary meeting in Dallas as one "who has constantly worked with those who believe that a modern library demands the same careful planning and thought as any other facility; and for his emergency message to the Legislature in mid-January, 1957, which pointed out the urgent necessity for an adequate library building to prevent further deterioration of the State's priceless archives and to provide a focal point for library development in the State."

The new commission member is a member of a pioneer Texas family and he has long had a deep interest in the history of the State. His service to Texas as a state official began as State Representative in 1939 and in his third term (1943-45), he was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives. He served in the Pacific during World War II and following a whirlwind campaign in 1946 he was elected Attorney General and served three terms. In 1952 he was named U. S. Senator and served until 1956 when he was elected as Governor of the State and completed three terms as the State's highest elected official (1957-1963).

Daniel is married to the former Jean Houston Baldwin (of Houston), a great-great granddaughter of General Sam Houston. They have four children: Price Jr., Waco; Jean is a student at The University of Texas; Houston Lee is a student at Baylor University, Waco and John Baldwin is a student in an Austin high school.

The former governor practices law in Liberty and Austin. He made the principal speech at the dedication of the Texas Archives and Library Building on April 10, 1962.

Gardner, who has been managing editor of the *Post* since March, 1963, was chief of the *Post's* Austin bureau from 1950 until 1963, except for approximately one year when he served as press secretary for Governor Allan Shivers.

He is the author of a book on State government, *The Texas Citizen*, which is used as a supplementary text in schools and colleges.

The new Commissioner has been with the *Post* since 1935 and has won several awards for his report-

ing and writing. These include a special commendation by the Texas Senate in 1963, the National Guard Association of Texas Minuteman Award for Journalism in 1962, a Headliners Club Awards first prize and a First City National Bank journalism award in 1956, and the national Pall Mall Award for journalism in 1948.

Gardner is a native of Austin and attended The University of Texas.

The Gardners are parents of three children: Mrs. William P. Jones, Houston; Terry, a student in The University of Texas Law School and Stephen, who is a student in South Texas Junior College, Houston.

Mrs. Cauthorn, who was appointed to the Commission by Governor Daniel, served from January 31, 1958. She was very active in promoting library development in rural areas of the State. Although she had to travel the most miles to attend a Commission meeting, it was a very rare occasion for her to miss during her six-year tenure.

Dr. Heinsohn, pastor emeritus of University Methodist Church of Austin, was appointed to the Commission on July 6, 1940 by Governor W. Lee O'Daniel. He was the senior member of the Commission in length of service and his faithful service to the Commission has been noted by librarians throughout the State.

Other members of the Commission and the year in which their terms expire are: C. Stanley Banks, Sr., San Antonio, chairman, 1965; Walter E. Long, Austin, 1965; Fred Hartman, Baytown, 1967 and Dr. W. R. White, Waco, 1967.

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