

LIBRARY REPORT ISSUED

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETS

Mrs. Annie Smith Ross, Librarian, Makes Annual Report Covering Work of the Carnegie Library During the Past Year—A Splendid Showing—Library Open 466 Days and Total Circulation 40,296 Volumes—The Year's Record of Donations—186 Volumes Purchased, Although No Appropriation Was Made For the Purpose.

The report of Mrs. Annie Smith Ross, librarian of the Carnegie Library, for the year 1907, which was submitted to the board of trustees yesterday, is an exceedingly interesting one. It shows that the public at large is coming more and more to realize and take advantage of the opportunities offered and that the library, in point of efficiency, is growing rapidly. The total issue of books during the year was 40,296 volumes, the number of volumes in the library being 6,656. Four hundred and eighty-six books were added during the year, although no special appropriation was made for this purpose.

The Board of Trustees of the Carnegie Library of Charlotte, N. C., met yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the library building to receive the annual report of the librarian, Mrs. Annie Smith Ross. The report was read by Mrs. Ross and was highly commended by the board.

CIRCULATING DEPARTMENT.

The library was open to the public 466 days during the year. The total issue of books for home use was 40,296 volumes. One of the greatest helps in this department is our reading collection of current fiction. Our readers have greatly appreciated the opportunity to secure new clean books for two, four or six cents. This collection also relieves the demand on the regular collection, making it easier to secure the free books.

The number of registered borrowers at the close of the year was 4,653. The number added during the year was 590. Our statistics for the first nine months of the year show the average for new registrations was seventy per month.

Beginning with October, because of lack of funds, the library hours were shortened in fact, outgoing the hours from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m., reducing the attendance in the reading room and the circulation by at least 1,000 volumes. Notwithstanding this unfavorable condition, the increase for the year 1907 in the reading room was 4,176 and in the use of reference books 5,270.

In organizing the library, it was deemed advisable to register members for a period of three years, and this being the fourth year, the re-registration was begun in February. The first 2,425 members were looked over and we found 543 had moved away and 364 were asked to re-register because of change of address.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

The recorded use of the reference department for the year was 27,468. This department in fact, is the growing place assigned to it in the library. We have used all of the available shelving and have many valuable books in the basement awaiting shelf room.

Some valuable additions to the reference department were Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature, 1906-04, making our index to magazines complete from 1892 to date, the "A. L. A." 1903 catalogue cards for the Warner Library and 76 bound magazines.

Besides the help furnished to the various city clubs and schools, we are often called upon for the material found on our shelves to be used by the schools in the county and for club work in nearby towns.

In addition to the regular work, the usual lists of holidays and birthdays, reading lists on the following subjects for debate have been prepared: Child labor, trusts, tariff, immigration, United States navy, co-education, compulsory education, etc.

NIGHT OPENING.

The night opening, made possible through the efforts and interest of the Engineering Society of the Carolinas from February 15th to June 15th, was an experiment the trustees had long been anxious to make for the benefit of those of our citizens who cannot use the library during the day. It was known that this service would add largely to the usefulness of the library, but the results surprised even our most sanguine hopes.

It is earnestly hoped that a sufficient appropriation will be made to enable the reading room, at least, to be kept open.

CHILDREN'S ROOM.

Without any new books or a special assistant for the children's department, we have had many successful days. February Mr. E. T. Wylie, president of the National Story Tellers' League, entered several hundred children. We have endeavored to keep the room attractive, with bright and interesting bulletins, but it has been impossible to have the story hour a regular feature. However, we have had an attendance of 1,895.

The fall and early winter was devoted to the stories from the "Arabian Nights," beautifully illustrated with bulletins by Maxwell Parrish.

The librarian reports with pleasure a steady use of the children's room for society and club meetings. During the year, four lectures and fifty-eight miscellaneous meetings were held. The Wagonette Club and the Engineering Society of the Carolinas continue the use of the room for their regular meetings.

An art exhibit, which more than a thousand people attended, was held in March, and proved again the need of an assembly hall.

SPLENDID RESULTS OBTAINED.

Meeting of Appalachian National Forest Association in Atlanta, Ga., a Great One—The North Carolina Delegation.

The meeting of the Appalachian National Forest Association Thursday in Atlanta, Ga., is said to have been one of the most enthusiastic of its kind ever held in the country. The Charlotte delegation, which returned to the city Friday, could talk of nothing else yesterday. Vice President W. S. Lee, Jr., of the Southern Power company, and Mr. L. C. Harrison, of the same company, were highly elated with the practical results obtained as were also Messrs. Wade H. Harris, editor of The Evening Chronicle, and Mr. W. T. Corwith, secretary of the Greater Charlotte Club. The North Carolina delegation took a prominent part in the deliberations of the conference and in point of numbers was second only to the Georgia delegation. A list of the Tar Heel delegates appointed to meet with representatives of other States in Washington, Thursday, January 30th, is as follows:

Wilmington—James Sprunt, Benjamin Hill, Victor S. Granger. Asheville—Charles E. Waddell, James A. Cain. Thomasville—Archibald Johnson. Lexington—H. B. Varner. Fayetteville—Major E. J. Hale. Winston-Salem—J. P. Lucas. Raleigh—Fred A. Olds, Maxwell Gorman.

Greensboro—W. S. Underwood. High Point—J. J. Farris, John Tate. Wadesboro—John T. Patrick. Concord—James F. Hurlay. Salisbury—John M. Julian. Banner's Elk—Hon. Shep Dugger. Gastonia—J. W. Atkins. Lenoir—Moses Harshaw. Monroe—W. C. Heath. Rutherfordton—Solomon Gallert. Statesville—R. R. Clark. Bakersville—L. F. Starrette. Shelby—Clyde Hoey.

Charlotte—W. S. Lee, L. C. Harrison, Southern Power Company; D. A. Tompkins, National Association of Manufacturers; Wade H. Harris, vice president for North Carolina; E. M. Miller, Jr., C. B. Bryant, American Cotton Manufacturers' Association; E. R. Preston, B. D. Heath, W. R. Roberson, W. F. Dowd, J. A. McRae, W. T. Corwith, the Greater Charlotte Club; A. L. Smith, W. H. Twitty, E. L. Sargent, T. J. Davis, E. A. Smith, J. H. Weddington, Manufacturers' Club; J. A. Fore, J. A. Gardner, J. N. McCausland, Retail Merchants' Association; J. E. Caldwell, W. C. Dowd, John R. Ross, daily papers.

Charlotte Needs Jobbing Houses.

"The sort of thing that Charlotte needs most at this stage of its growth as a manufacturing and commercial center," said a well posted man yesterday, "is a number of jobbing houses. They should prove tremendously profitable, alike to the proprietors and the public, for a general saving would be effected all around. The number of such establishments is noticeably small, and there are many lines of extensive business which are not represented at all in this section of the country."

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DR. SCHERER THIS AFTERNOON.

President of Newberry College to Speak on "Lee, the Model Man"—Public Invited to Special Service. The meeting to be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Academy of Music will be a memorable one. It will be in celebration of the birthday of Gen. Robert E. Lee, and at the same time a distinctly religious service. The speaker of the day, Rev. Dr. J. A. B. Scherer, president of Newberry College, gave the following message to a member of the committee having the meeting in charge: "My subject will be 'Lee, the Model Man.' It is a distinctly Christian appeal, and I do not want the impression to be made that it is a mere lecture for entertainment."

The service will be under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association, but will be open to both men and women, contrary to the usual custom of that association. The interest in the meeting is very general, as will be shown by the fact that the following organizations will attend in a body: The United Confederate Veterans; First Battery Field Artillery, N. C.; G. under the command of Capt. M. W. Williams; Hornets' Nest Rifemen, Co. D, First Infantry, N. C. N. G., under the command of Capt. Rey Page, and the students of the Presbyterian and Elizabeth Colleges.

The association also invites the Daughters of the Confederacy and the Children of the Confederacy to attend.

The Asbury Orchestra will render a special programme while the audience is gathering and will accompany the singing of the hymns. The chairman of the meeting will be Capt. A. D. Hunter. The following is the order of service: Opening hymn, congregation standing; "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," led by H. C. V. Choir.

Opening prayer, the Rev. F. A. Johnson. Selection—United Confederate Veterans' Choir. Scripture lesson. Selection—United Confederate Veterans' Choir.

Address by the Rev. Dr. R. C. Holland, Chaplain C. V. V. and pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran church. Address, "Lee, the Model Man," by Rev. Dr. J. A. B. Scherer, president of Newberry College.

Closing hymn, congregation standing; "Oswald Christian Soldiers," Benediction by Rev. Dr. R. C. Holland.

Give Ear, Ye Veterans. You will assemble at headquarters this afternoon at 5 o'clock in uniform to attend the services at the Academy of Music. By order W. M. SMITH, Commander. H. D. DUCKWORTH, Adjutant.

Young Man Fined on Charge of Slapping English Girl.

A sly and lively trial before Recorder Smith yesterday was that of Jim Paxton, charged with an assault on one of the English mill girls, Mary Crain. Mr. Plummer Stewart represented the defendant, in whose behalf two of the girls testified warmly. The others opposed. The girls were voluble, and the attorney was not backward in conducting his cross-examinations. The girls had frequently to be called down for interruptions, and the attorney for the defense made a hasty remark to Officer Mosteller, who was testifying, which the court pronounced out of order and which Mr. Stewart at once withdrew. The defendant was fined \$5 and costs. The specific charge was that he had gone to escort two of the girls to a dance, and in a quarrel which followed the pronouncement of the part of the girls and an Englishman to the effect that he was not a fit escort, he slapped one in the face.

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