

# LIBRARY NOTES

**Schedule**  
 Morning: 10:00-12:00, except Monday.  
 Afternoon: 2:00-5:00, except Thursday and Saturday.  
 Evening: 7:00-9:00 ON Monday and Wednesday.

**From The Workshop**  
 Latest encountered experience guaranteed to bring one to the grave in full age with grey hairs is this matter of classifying a book according to Mr. Dewey's numerical system.

The fiction is no problem. It's the reading matter which is not fiction that baffles. In theory and generally the classification looks to be one of those fitting arrangements for a mass of books. In practice enough exceptions (according to the guide book) arise on placement as to raise questions as to suitability and provoke a desire to design a system of one's own to fit the situation. If you have a library (which has grown with you through the years, you probably have the books arranged according to personal preference. (No one but you could find a book in it, but what does that matter. They're placed the way you feel about them.) If you do, this decimal system, if you've never met it before, will impress you not at all, especially when it comes to drawing the finer distinctions.

Here are some bird books. They'll come under pure science which will be in the five hundreds somewhere and all will be together. Music is a fine art and in the seven hundreds (780 to 790 to be exact.) Sacred music is 783, but if it is a hymn without music, look under 245 (the 240s cover devotional literature). That works out smoothly enough.

The useful arts are in the six hundreds which means cookbooks and agricultural books are cousins—the cookbooks in 640, the agricultural ones in 630. And here develops two little inconsistencies to an unconvinced mind. M. F. K. Fisher's How To Cook a Wolf is more than a book with some recipes in it.

It is a philosophy on the art of living. Phineas Beck's Clementine in the Kitchen includes Chamberlain etchings and family history in addition to recipes. Yet both numbers will rub shoulders with Miss Farmer's invaluable manual which is definitely a text-book. To a decimalarian there is no distinction between the belles-lettres and the utilitarian in the field of gastronomy.

It seems slightly raw to number flower arranging with the agriculturally practical floriculture when it would seem it is really a fine art and ought to be along with sculpture, painting, and landscaping.

Folklore, fairy tales, and legends do not merit a place in the more sedate social science division unless of value to the student. "Mere stories for children" unless useful for study go in fiction. So don't look for the Grimms and Anderson fairy tales in a numerical location.

Quite the oddest assignment to come to sight is that done by one authority (there are several and they do not agree) to Saint-Exupery's Wind, Sand, and Stars. It gets marked 629.138. That according to our guide means it is in the useful arts (6), under engineering (2), in other branches of engineering (9), and aeronautics to be exact (1). The book is about as useful aeronautically as a clod of earth gastronomically.

Here! Enough of this grouching. We must turn to more immediate matters. More, anon—perhaps—if provocation arises. But, till then, muse on this. The life of a librarian is not all taking in and handing out books while meantime exchanging the pleasantries of the day and the book.

(Not all the books mentioned above are in the library.)

**Glimpses Of Growth**  
 As time passes the library begins to take on the appearance of being a real collection of books and, not just a place which houses around two yards of Grace Livingston Hill books and so on.

Very gratifying it is to have on hand a few volumes which might satisfy the curious inquirer looking for more literature on a subject in which he might be interested. Of course, the quantity is limited, the fields covered very, very small. But at least there is some growth.

There is something very attractive about Cecilia Rudin's book of hymns. Just why has not yet been decided after a casual thumbing through. It just might have been one of those items written as a "labor of love." It suggests the idea, anyhow, and will be helpful to the worker in the field of religious education.

A dip here and there through the Rockwell and Grayson book on flower arranging was adventure for an undisciplined mind which can't resist exploring greener pastures when ever they present themselves. If you have a collector-mania, think of the fun there would be in acquiring containers in which to arrange flowers—not an indiscriminate accumulation but an artistic assemblage. Why the arranger who delights in miniature creations would have the time of her life obtaining small objects. Which brings to mind the small replica of a round brandy bottle recently pressed into service for some star of Bethlehem. "You never know what you will stumble upon nor where. All you need is an open mind."

Do you know that new copper screening should always be "coated" with clear lacquer, otherwise the first rain will cause coloring from the screen to run down on the sash paint and stain it? This little bit

of information was discovered in—of all places—a book on home mechanics in the junior department. If interested, inquire at the circulation desk.

Toynbee's abridged History of History is not recommended for bed-time reading unless you are fired with the zeal to know what has made civilization tick and proof of the underlying forces which determine direction. But it would be certainly easier to wander through than the original six volumes.

It is nice having on hand the Webster Biographical Dictionary. Simplifies finding the main facts on current figures and learning the pronunciation of their names, if a difficult one.

**Caught In Passing**  
 —Most impressive comment in the article on Kings Mountain appearing in the State Magazine was that one about the new location given the town as a library "for which new books were being bought." (Did the writer see the interior?)

—Huxley and Mann and Whitman and Plato on the one hand; Grimms and Anderson and Mother Goose on the other: this represents the gamut in reading taste of our patrons. (Now what do you make of that?)

—The difference in the sound of

## Society News

### Two Give Party At Country Club

Mrs. Paul Mauney and Mrs. W. T. Weir were hostesses at the Kings Mountain Country Club last Saturday afternoon at a lovely bridge party.

The playing room was attractively decorated with irises, snowballs,

the bird's singing in the morning and after the noon. In the early morning there is a deeper sound as a tenor, but come afternoon it is mainly soprano. Do the males go off to work. Or do the females just out-talk them? (Now this is something into which an inquisitive brain might look with pleasure.)

—The increase in European travel ads since the end of the war. More like "old times" (the late '30s) which is thought by some to be a thing of the past. (Anyhow, we are not supposed to see them in our time.)

—To Rebecca West (Meaning of Treason) went one of the achievement awards of the Woman's National Press Club. Her writing in the treason book is considered some of the wisest done in our time.

camellias and other seasonal flowers in pretty arrangements.

Thirteen tables were in play and when scores were tallied, prizes were presented to Mrs. Jacob Cooper and Mrs. B. N. Barnes. Mrs. Barnes also won the floating prize.

At the conclusion of play, ice cream, decorated cakes and coffee were served.

With a gross area of 2,908,903 square feet the R C A building in New York City is the largest office building in the world.

About twenty-nine states of the United States have provisions for conciliation, or arbitration in industrial disputes.

The total vote cast for the election of a President of the United States in 1943 was 2,636,491. In 1944 the total vote was 45,608,783.

A person 18 years of age is eligible to vote in the state of Georgia. In all other states the age requirement is 21 years.

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## HOME SPECIALS

Pint Size  
**Thermos Bottles**  
 \$1.25 and \$1.39

Gallon  
**Thermos Jugs**  
 \$3.00 - \$3.98  
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**Bayer Aspirin**  
 Bottle of 100  
**59c**

**Alka-Seltzer**  
 80c Size  
**49c**

Lydia E. Pinkham's  
**Vegetable**  
**Compound**  
 1.60 Size  
**\$1.20**

**Ironized**  
**Yeast Tablets**  
**79c**

**S. S. S.**  
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