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## STATE LIBRARY BOARD PREPARES TO MOVE!

If plans go according to schedule the State Library Board will begin the move to the new State Library building at 1500 Senate Street the latter part of October. The Culbertson Moving and Storage Company of Greenville was awarded the contract for the moving. It is estimated that the move will cover a period of three weeks.

Librarians will be notified of the exact date the hegira begins. Reference and interlibrary loan services will be continued, possibly with some delay, during this period. During the transition period it is requested that no books be returned to the State Library except interlibrary loans. Field work will be continued without interruption.

The building is the culmination of years of hoping, planning and building. In his State of the State address to the General Assembly in 1965 former Governor Donald Russell added impetus for the undertaking. He stated that it was his hope that the General Assembly would authorize the construction of a building for the State Library Board.

Mr. Russell resigned as Governor and was appointed U.S. Senator by his successor, the Honorable Robert E. McNair, who was governor when the General Assembly authorized the construction.

Funds necessary to provide the State's portion of the total cost of the project were appropriated. Federal funds made it possible to plan a \$1,669,000 building.

With the approval of the State General Services Division, the Board purchased a site at the intersection of Bull and Senate streets in the State Government complex.

The architectural firm of Geiger/Califf/Player was chosen as architects for the project. The services of these architects with J. Russell Bailey, noted library architectural consultant, assured an impressive, attractive, and functional building. Andrew V. Kerns of the R. L. Bryan Company was the decorator.

LaFaye-Tarrant Construction Company, Inc. of Columbia, low bidder, was awarded the construction contract. The Estey Corporation was low bidder for the stacks.

The 80,000 square foot structure is of reinforced concrete. All exterior surfaces are faced with limestone with bronze-tinted glass infills set in bronzed colored aluminum frames.

The reading area is two stories high with an illuminated ceiling and mezzanine stack area.

Under the mezzanine is the main desk, reference and periodical area, microfilm reading room and elevator lobby. A basement and sub-basement area below the plaza and main floor provides a work and mechanical area in addition to book stacks.

Technical processing and cataloging area are included on the second floor along with administrative offices.

The open, glass-walled main and second floor for reading, reference, and administrative work is sandwiched between the raised plaza over the basement and two closed top floors, all used for book stacks.

#### SLB WELCOMES NEW STAFF MEMBER

Mary O. Bostick, a 1969 graduate of the Graduate School of Librarianship, University of Denver, has accepted the position of Documents Librarian with the State Library Board effective October 1.

Miss Bostick is a native of Georgia and now makes her home in Louisiana. She received her AB from Newcomb College and taught in Louisiana schools from 1964 to 1968.

#### OMISSION OF BUILDING FEATURE ARTICLE

Plans called for featuring the new library building at the Baptist College at Charleston in this issue. Floor plans could not be obtained so this feature will appear at a later date. The series on library buildings recently completed or near completion will be resumed next month.

#### CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE STATE AID

As a result of a poll of library board chairmen and public librarians, the executive committee of the Trustee Section of the South Carolina Library Association has decided to campaign for an increase in State Aid. J. Frank Nolen, Florence, is Chairman of the Trustee Section. The goal of the campaign is 30¢ per capita, an increase of 10¢.

In 1967 library trustees, librarians and Friends of the Library through concerted effort were able to secure the increase in State Aid for public libraries to 20¢ per capita. In view of the rising costs and the reduction of Federal funds under the Library Services and Construction Act it is vital that State Aid be increased.

The Executive Committee is urging all those concerned with library progress to inform their legislative delegations of the financial crisis and what the increase will

mean to the local library. It is essential that each legislator understand the importance of library service to his constituents and that he is aware of how State Aid has benefitted the local library. This should be done before January 1.

#### SMOKEY FEATURED IN STATE EMPLOYEES JOURNAL

Smokey Bear Says - Read is the title of an article on the Smokey Bear Vacation Reading Club by Nelson Peach in the Fall issue of South Carolina State Service, the South Carolina State Employer's publication. A half page photograph of Smokey and two of the club members accompanies the article. Mr. Peach is Information and Education Assistant at the South Carolina Forestry Commission.

More than 20, 000 children joined the Club in public libraries and those on military reservations. Smokey visited each library to award certificates to club members who read the required 10 books.

Sponsored jointly by the S. C. State Library Board and the S. C. State Commission of Forestry with the S. C. Wildlife Department cooperating, the club was designed to stimulate interest in conservation and nature through the reading of good books.

#### SENATE ACTION ON LSCA APPROPRIATION POSTPONED

The date for the Senate Appropriation Sub-Committee to consider the HEW Appropriation bill is now set for October 13. If you have not written to the decision makers, President Nixon, Bureau of the Budget Director and HEW Secretary, there is still time. They must be convinced of the need to give library and education programs high priority and the need for full funding of education programs, including the Library Services and Construction Act.

Ask your teacher friends to remind the President of his campaign statement to Teachers for Nixon-Agnew:

American opportunity begins in the classrooms of this nation for young and old alike;

When we talk about cutting the expense of government -- either federal, state or local -- the one area we can't short-change is education;

Education is the area in which we must keep doing everything that is necessary to help achieve the American Dream; . . . .

Letters urging support for H R 13111, which funds the Higher Education Act and LSCA at the 1969 level, should go to The President, the White House, Washington, D. C. 20501, to Robert P. Mayo, Director, Bureau of the Budget, Executive Office Building, Washington 20503 and to Robert H. Finch, Secretary, Health, Education, and Welfare, 330 Independence Avenue, S. W., Washington 20201.

#### BEST WISHES

To Mr. and Mrs. Neal Anderson Martin who were married on September 6. Mrs. Martin, the former Charlotte Salley Berry joined the staff of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library on September 15.

## MRS. BOSTICK HONORED

A portrait of Lucy Hampton Bostick and a plaque recognizing her years of service in the library field were unveiled in ceremonies at the Richland County Library on the afternoon of September 20.

Julian Hennig, Jr., a member of the Board, presided and introduced the present and past trustees and special guests. R. Beverly Herbert, former member of the board of trustees and former president of the South Carolina Library Association paid tribute to Mrs. Bostick.

Mrs. Victor Barringer, Mrs. Bostick's twin sister unveiled the portrait and the plaque.

Dr. Daniel W. Hollis, vice-president, board of trustees, accepted the portrait and plaque for the library.

James Ellison, former member of the board, delivered the benediction in the absence of the Reverend James Stirling, who could not be present on account of illness.

Mrs. Bostick from 1928 to 1935 was librarian of the Columbia Public Library and of its successor the Richland County Public Library from 1934 to the time of her death in July 1968. She was secretary of the State Library Board from 1929-1968. She served as the 1932 president of the South Carolina Library Association.

## STORY-TELLING WORKSHOP AT FLORENCE

The Florence County Library sponsored a story-telling workshop on September 10. Margaret Mahon, retired Director of Children's Services, Greenville County Library conducted the workshop. The kindergarten, 18 five-year olds, from All Saints Episcopal Day School was brought in for a demonstration story-telling session. Following the demonstration the workshop participants discussed techniques and asked questions.

The staff of the Florence County Library, including the branch librarians who were attending an in-service training session conducted by Mrs. Libby P. Law, Extension Librarian, attended the workshop. Also present were volunteers, who tell stories in the Children's Department, and two children's library assistants from the Darlington County Library.

## GREENVILLE BROCHURES

The Cultural Calendar for Greenville County September 1969 - May 1970 has been compiled by the staff of the Greenville County Library. The fall issue is a preview of events scheduled for the coming season. Further details are given in the monthly calendars. These calendars, financed by the Peoples National Bank, are available at a number of points in Greenville.

Help for You, a guide for those needing assistance in solving their problems has been revised and reissued upon the request of the Community Council after last years edition of 10,000 copies was exhausted. This brochure was compiled by The Community Council of Greenville County, the United Fund Agency, Public Agency and The Adult Education Department of the Greenville County Library.

Professional and Cultural Resources, Greenville County, South Carolina 1969-70 lists the events and institutions of interest to those concerned with the arts and the profession. It was prepared by the Adult Education Division of the Greenville County Library and printed through the courtesy of the Fidelity Federal Savings and Loan Association.

New Books, a brochure devoted to recent additions to the Greenville County Library is issued monthly, September through June, by the Catalog Department of the Library.

#### GREENVILLE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Mrs. Perry M. Parrott was hostess for the membership drive kickoff luncheon of the Friends of the Greenville County Library. Dues of \$2 entitle members to attend the Friends lecture series free of charge. Admission is \$1.00 per person except students whose rate is 50¢.

In addition to sponsoring the lectures, the Friends are supporting a drive to raise funds for the Margaret Mahon Children's Room in the new library.

For a number of years the Friends have encouraged and promoted improved public library service for Greenville.

#### WARE SHOALS HOLDS OPEN HOUSE

The Ware Shoals branch of the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library was opened to the public on Sunday, September 21. The Reigel Corporation donated the building and the lot to the town. The town of Ware Shoals provided \$2,000, which has been supplemented by donations totalling \$2,309, toward renovating and equipping the library. Fabrics for draperies was donated by the Reigel Textile Corporation and the draperies were made free of charge by the Pilgrim Curtain Company of Ware Shoals. Drapery rods were given by Belk's Department Store of Ware Shoals. Paint for the building was a gift of the Olney Paint Company of Spartanburg.

A library had been operated by Reigle in the YMCA building for many years. When Ware Shoals joined the regional library the book stock was donated to the new town library. These books are supplemented by the Abbeville-Greenwood system.

Elizabeth Porcher, Director of the regional library and her staff supervised the organization of the library.

Mayor F. C. McLane and the Town Council appointed a local library committee of which A. C. Jones is chairman. Other members are Mrs. W. J. Holloway and Mrs. Stewart Thompson. Mrs. Louise A. Young is in charge of the branch library.

#### TRUSTEE TURNS COMPILER

Mrs. Arthur Atkinson, treasurer of the Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Regional Library Board, is the author of Names in Old Hampton County which will appear in the forthcoming issue of Names in South Carolina, annual journal published by the English Department of the University of South Carolina.

Mrs. Atkinson made a careful study of deed books from 1878 to 1912 to prepare an organized list of names of churches, schools and communities.

## CHILDREN'S TELEVISION WORKSHOP

The Children's Television Workshop of the National Educational Television is producing a program aimed at pre-school children, especially those in poverty areas. The purpose of the program is to find out how television can be utilized to reach into the lives of children under five years of age. The program aims to help children develop basic skills and concepts and direct them to media, such as books, recordings, etc. beyond the TV set.

The National Book Committee is serving as Consultant on Utilization to the Children's Television Workshop. Virginia H. Matthews, using the many resources of the Book Committee, will help local TV stations, libraries, school systems, Day Care and other nursery centers, churches, etc. to use the programs effectively. Miss Matthews is deputy director of National Library Week.

The hour-long, full-color program, Sesame Street, will be shown daily Monday through Friday for 26 weeks. In most cases it will be on during morning hours and often a second time late in the afternoon and again on weekends. The first show is November 10.

The following South Carolina stations will carry the programs - Charleston, WITV; Greenville, WNTV; Columbia, WRLK; Florence, WJPM; and Allendale, WEBA. Please check stations for time and frequency of showings.

## NEWS NOTES ON LIBRARIES, LIBRARIANS AND TRUSTEES

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Dixon, Librarian, reported on the progress and described the services of the Chester County Library to the Chester Civitans at their September meeting.

With the addition of a new staff member, Mrs. John Wells, the Marlborough County Library has been able to extend its hours. The library is now open from 9 to 5 six days a week whereas it was formerly closed on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Henry Richardson, Chairman of the Union Library Board, has been appointed to the Board of Trustees of State College. James A. Rogers of Florence, a former member and chairman of the State Library Board, is also a trustee.

The Sumter County Library is adding a collection of telephone directories to its reference department. It will include directories for every important American city and all the major cities in North and South Carolina and Georgia.

Elizabeth L. Porcher, Director, reports the following staff changes at the Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library: Upon the resignation of Sara J. Urban, Sara Catherine Wilkinson, was appointed Head of the Extension Department. Miss Wilkinson holds an M. A. in Library Science from the University of North Carolina. Betty Ann Chapman becomes Children's Librarian effective October 1. Mrs. Neal Martin (Salley Berry) joined the staff as Librarian of the Greenwood headquarters library on September 15. Miss Chapman and Mrs. Martin attended library schools under the State Library Board's scholarship program. Mrs. Mary Gaines McCord and Mrs. DuBose Stuckey return to work part time in the Catalog Department October 1.

Other news from Abbeville-Greenwood:

A civic organization in Abbeville has donated \$500 to the Abbeville headquarters library. Other gifts include a metal display rack for records and many new books from Land's Book Store.

The Calhoun Falls branch building was moved to a downtown location on a lot deeded to the town by the Rocky River Mills Corporation.

1967-68 annual report of the Aiken-Bamberg-Barnwell-Edgefield Regional Library notes the fact that the region is now ten years old. Josephine Crouch, Director, contrasts the statistics and programs of 1958 with those of 1968. She points out that much progress has been made and that much greater achievements are possible.

ALA MEMBERSHIP DAY

ALA Membership Day will be observed on Tuesday, October 21, 1969, with the theme: "Libraries: A Resource for Human Understanding."

Brochures, reprints, posters, bookmarks, ads, and membership applications are available, free on request, for the observance of ALA Membership Day by writing to the ALA Membership Promotion Office, 50 E. Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

NATIONAL VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE WEEK

National Vocational Guidance Week will be observed October 19-25. Local employment offices and school officials can supply information and materials to be used in connection with the observance of this week.

YOUR PROBLEMS

by

Anne Library

Dear Anne:

I am well aware that when the cats away the mice will play. Recently, however, I had an experience that convinced me that members of a library staff were rats instead of mice. I was passing through a town and dropped in, unannounced, to visit my friend who is the librarian. There was no staff member to be seen but I could see - and hear - the hilarity going on in the workroom. When someone finally spied me and asked if I needed assistance I stated the purpose of my visit. She just shrugged her shoulders and said curtly "She's out of town." No question about leaving a message or who was calling.

I haven't mentioned this to my friend, should I?

Perplexed

Dear Perplexed:

Indeed you should. Your friend needs to impress on her staff that all of them, including the pages, represent the library and they should make a good impression on the public. A refresher course in etiquette is also indicated.

I hope yours is an isolated case but not even one instance of this kind should be allowed to exist - and continue.

Anne

### CAROLINIANA

Simms, William Gilmore. Voltmeier or the Mountain Men. University of South Carolina Press. \$15.00.

(Dr. John C. Guilds and James B. Meriwether of the University faculty edited this first volume of "The Centennial Edition of the Writings of William Gilmore Simms. Voltmeir was published in 26 weekly installments and this is its first appearance in book form. With a setting in the border area between North and South Carolina, the novel tells of a crude, half-savage time with grim, realistic humor.)

#### Yours for the Asking

Andrews, Columbus. Administrative County Government in South Carolina. University of North Carolina Press. 1933.

The State Library Board has, courtesy of the Department of Archives and History, a small stock of this for free distribution to S. C. public libraries.

Libraries which do not have the following South Carolina pamphlets may wish to request them from R.N. Olsberg, Associate Editor, South Carolina Archives Department, 1430 Senate Street, Columbia, S. C. 29201

The Flag of the State of South Carolina

Parris Island: The Site of the First Attempt at Settlement of White People within the Bounds of What Is Now South Carolina.

The Introduction of Rice Culture into South Carolina.

The Origin of Carolina.

Delegates to the Continental Congress from South Carolina, 1774-1789, with Sketches of the Four Who Signed the Declaration of Independence.

The Boundary Line between North Carolina and South Carolina.

The Independent Company from South Carolina at Great Meadows.

President Washington's Tour through South Carolina in 1791.

The State House of South Carolina, 1751-1936.

The Seal of the State of South Carolina.

Military and Naval Operations in South Carolina, 1860-1865.

The Catawba Indians of South Carolina.

Constitution of 1776

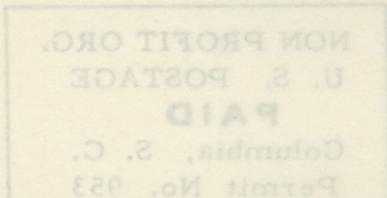
Constitution of 1778

Constitution of 1790

Constitution of 1865

Transportation in the Ante-bellum Period.

Ravenel, Beatrice. The Yemassee Lands, selected and edited, with an introduction by Louis D. Ruben, Jr. , University of North Carolina Press. \$6.00  
(An eminent literary critic, native of Charleston, as was Mrs. Ravenel, Mr. Ruben has rescued from obscurity these poems of the 1920's.)



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