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## THIS WE MUST DO

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Library Development has been the primary objective of the Washington Library Association since its inception. Right now every librarian, trustee and citizen interested in good library service for everyone in the State of Washington has an obligation to see that we take full advantage of the opportunity offered by the passage of the Library Services Act. We have been ready with carefully thought out plans for adequate coverage of the state for a long time. Basically we have a foundation upon which to work. It is our task to see that we have the money available to put the plans to work. This is not a job for a few but for all. Once we have the money, we then must give of ourselves, for people are just as important as financial resources. One cannot function without the other. The State Library will have the administrative responsibility, but unless we all work together we miss our GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY in LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT!

You have heard from the Legislative Committee about the job ahead, this is step one. Once we have taken that step we may proceed more firmly toward the final goal—adequate library service for every citizen. The Washington Library Association can be proud of its past record, let us achieve an even better record—NOW!

## WHAT THE LIBRARY SERVICES ACT MEANS FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

The Library Services Act (Public Law 597, 84th Congress)<sup>①</sup> which passed during the last session of Congress and was signed by the President on June 19, 1956, states that the purpose of the act is "to promote the further extension . . . of public library services to rural areas without such services or with inadequate services." The act has been drawn so that it will not interfere with state and local initiative and responsibility in the conduct of public library services. It further states that in order to qualify for the funds to be available under this act a state plan must be submitted to the Commissioner of Education. The state library administrative agency has been charged with the administration of such a state plan.

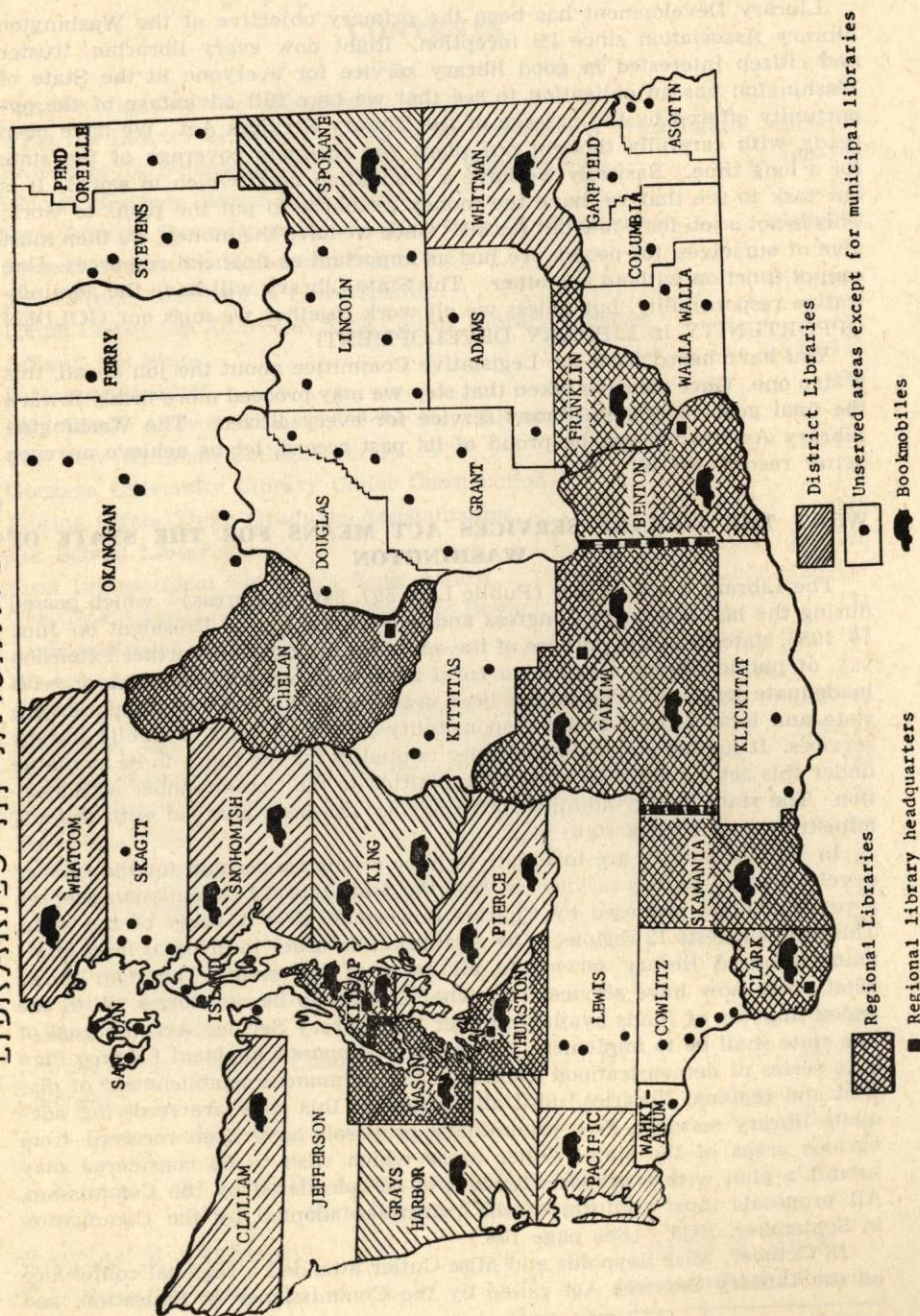
In Washington we are fortunate to have a long range plan for the further development of library service. In 1948 the State Library Commission adopted a regional plan, proposed by Charles Bowerman after a study of the state. This plan suggests 12 regions to be established in order to bring at least minimum standard library service to all areas of the state. The map shows what areas now have services and what are yet to be developed. With the added impetus of funds available under the Library Service Act, the goal of this state shall be to implement Bowerman's *Proposed Regional Library Plan* by a series of demonstrations leading to the permanent establishment of district and regional libraries, until all citizens of this state are receiving adequate library service. Five preliminary proposals have been received from various areas of the state. Other areas which wish to be considered may submit a plan with a proposed budget to be considered by the Commission. All proposals must conform to the principles adopted by the Commission in September, 1956. (See page 108.)

In October, Miss Reynolds and Miss Cutler attended a regional conference on the Library Services Act called by the Commissioner of Education, and

<sup>①</sup> A copy of the complete Act may be borrowed from the State Library, or a mimeographed digest is available upon request.



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held in Sacramento. This conference was one of four held throughout the United States in order to discuss the tentative rules and regulations as set up by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. No plans could be submitted until these rules and regulations had been formally adopted by the Department and published in the Federal Register. Early in December these were finally published.

The initial sum available from the Federal government is \$40,000 to each state. The first consideration before the Commission is acquiring the matching sums necessary for the state of Washington to obtain the federal share. According to the formula set up in the Act, Washington's share is \$48,496. The full \$40,000 must be matched in order to receive any money. Matching on a partial basis is not allowed by law. Remaining in the Library Development Fund is \$17,136, which may be used for matching purposes unless the Commission makes any further grants for integration purposes. If the \$17,136 are used, an additional \$31,360 must be obtained. At a recent Commission meeting it was decided to ask the legislature for a special appropriation of this amount to be spent before the new biennium of 1957-59.

In July at the annual meeting of WLA the membership voted to request the legislature to appropriate the required \$154,267 to make Washington eligible for maximum monies available from the federal government during the fiscal year 1956-57. It is now clear that only the \$40,000 for each state will be available from the federal government during the fiscal year 1956-57. Because of this recent development, the original sum estimated by WLA to be needed for matching funds for the three years 1956 through 1959 will be decreased by \$105,771.

The revised breakdown on funds is as follows:

	1956-57	1957-59	Total
Washington's share .....	\$48,496*	\$308,534	\$357,030
Federal share .....	40,000	251,928	291,928
Total .....	\$88,496	\$560,462	\$648,958

\* Because the Library Development Fund now contains \$17,136, the amount to be acquired for matching purposes will be reduced to \$31,360.

In addition to being aware of the problem of obtaining funds for this initial matching, librarians should know about and work for funds necessary for the 1957-59 biennium. An important part of WLA's legislative program this year is obtaining an appropriation from the legislature for sufficient library development funds to match with available federal funds. Under the same matching formula this state needs an estimated \$154,267 per year in order to receive the federal funds \$125,964 per year. This means that our state needs \$308,534 in matching funds for the 1957-59 biennium. With the federal share of \$251,928, we should have \$560,462 to use for demonstration purposes in the next biennium. The success of the demonstration program, and preceding the demonstrations the acquisition of state appropriated funds for matching purposes, depends on the efforts of librarians, trustees, and interested citizens in educating others of our goals. Informing the legislators on the objectives of our library development program and the necessity for the appropriation of the funds, is a vital and important activity on the part of everyone.



## PRINCIPLES FOR DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM IN WASHINGTON

Tentative and subject to revision  
Adopted by STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION

In 1948 the Washington State Library Commission adopted a regional plan for library development of the state. After a study made by Charles Bowerman, the state was divided into 12 proposed regions. Integrated library service is not now being given to the whole of any of the proposed regions. Twenty-one counties are without any rural library service.

In line with the already adopted objective of the State Library Commission for the establishment and development of library service in the state according to the **Proposed Regional Library Plan**, and with the declared policy of the Library Service Act "to promote the further extension . . . of public library service to rural areas without such services or with inadequate services," the Washington State Library Commission proposes to expend the federal funds and the matching state funds to accomplish as much of this goal that is humanly possible within the five year period. It proposes to accomplish this goal by means of a series of demonstrations for designated periods of time, after which it is expected the locality will vote to establish and support their own library.

All proposals for demonstrations will be judged on the basis as to whether or not they will contribute to the achievement of the state's long range objective. At the same time, the **Proposed Regional Library Plan** as formally adopted is not inflexible. Any proposal which contains changes of this plan will be carefully considered if the changes may be substantiated on a sound basis and constitute an improvement over the existing plan.

Demonstrations will be predicated on providing good library service to the unserved or inadequately served areas. Demonstrations may consist of:

1. Establishment of new service
2. Extension of existing services into new areas
  - a. unincorporated areas
  - b. incorporated towns
3. Demonstrations of integration of services
4. Any variation or combination of the above consistent with achieving library units having an adequate financial base

Demonstrations will be under the general supervision of the State Library Commission which shall make general rules and regulations. While federal and state monies are involved, the State Library Commission and the State Librarian are responsible for policy and method of administration as well as results. When support is assumed by the local area, legal control will automatically become the responsibility of the Regional Board.

Achieving American Library Association standards of public library service adopted June 1956 will be the goal for all demonstrations. While it is recognized this goal may not be achieved at once, these standards will be one unit of measure as to the adequacy of a proposed demonstration area.

In all demonstration areas positions involving professional work will be filled by qualified librarians as required under the State Certification Law.

As the entire program is to be aimed at achieving locally supported and controlled systems of library service with an adequate tax base, requests for demonstrations will be judged on the basis of whether this objective would

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be achieved. One basis for judgment will be the **Proposed Regional Library Plan** by Charles Bowerman, although as previously stated changes may be proposed if they may be substantiated as an improvement.

Plans for the utilization of funds through demonstrations should come from the key area involved and by cooperative action of the librarians, boards, and interested citizens of all the area to be served. If, in the opinion of the Commission, critical need exists in an area where plans are not being developed, the State Library staff will develop and promote acceptance of the proposal.

Proposals will be considered in the order in which they are received.

There will be a period of organization and preparation prior to the actual instituting of service. Citizen Advisory Committees will be established representing the entire region. These committees could well become the basis for the future Regional Board.

If a region rejects the library service, all support will be withdrawn and the staff and equipment moved to another demonstration area. When a demonstration has resulted in the legal establishment of the library, all equipment, books, and other tangible items will be turned over to the library as an establishment grant. In addition, funds will be provided to operate the library until the tax money is available. (In our state there is a lag of a year or more on this point.) Integration grants will be continued to encourage the small libraries to join the existing larger systems for improved services.

All library services will be free of charge in accordance with Washington State law and the provisions of the Federal act.

Careful records will be maintained to provide for adequate reporting both as to expenditures and results.

Within human and fiscal limitations the aim is to achieve as much of the regional program within the five years as may be found possible. If complete coverage is not achieved before the end of the five year period, the State Library Commission and the Washington Library Association will work for the continuance of demonstrations with state funds until the objectives of good library service for the entire state are achieved.

## LIBRARY SERVICES BRANCH STAFF GROWS

In a November memorandum to State Library Extension Agencies, Ralph M. Dunbar, Director, Library Services Branch, U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, announced that John G. Lorenz of the Michigan State Library had accepted the position of Assistant Director, the appointment to be effective January 1, 1957. As Assistant Director, Mr. Lorenz will be responsible primarily for the administration of the Library Services Act.

On November 7, L. Marion Moshier, formerly Director, Library Extension Division, New York State Library, joined the staff as a Consultant and will remain until the permanent staff is appointed and reports for duty.

## STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION HONORS MRS. PEARL A. WANAMAKER

Members of the State Library Commission paid high tribute to Mrs. Pearl A. Wanamaker, Chairman ex officio of the State Library Commission from January 17, 1941 to January 16, 1957, for her years of devotion to school and



library legislation; programming, and adequate financing. Mrs. Wanamaker retired from the post of Superintendent of Public Instruction, the position which by law named her chairman of the Commission. Prior to being elected State Superintendent of Public Instruction on a nonpartisan ballot, Mrs. Wanamaker served as a county superintendent and in several sessions of the State Legislature as a member of the Senate and House of Representatives during which time she gave her full support and cooperation to library matters under consideration. Librarians deeply appreciate Mrs. Wanamaker's intelligent approach to and complete understanding of professional problems. Her devotion to duty and dedication to the principles of education are unmatched in the field of education in Washington. Besides service in this state, Mrs. Wanamaker, a past president of the National Education Association, gave unstintingly of her time and energy to national and international affairs. She was a member of the President's education commission to Japan, and other assignments have taken her to Mexico and Europe. Many state and national honors have been earned by Mrs. Wanamaker as well as honorary degrees from several colleges and universities having been conferred upon her.

Mrs. Wanamaker, a native Washingtonian and a graduate of the University of Washington, will be missed in her former role, but librarians are assured by her that she will continue to be interested and concerned in all matters affecting libraries and schools.

#### COUNCIL ON LIBRARY RESOURCES, INC.

The formation of the Council on Library Resources, Inc., has been announced by the Council's Board of Directors following a meeting in New York City. Headquarters of the Council will be at 1025 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington 6, D. C. Verner W. Clapp, formerly Chief Assistant Librarian of Congress, was named President. A 5-year grant of \$5,000,000 from the Ford Foundation will support the program.

The Council's purpose is to assist in the solution of problems confronting libraries, especially the problems of research libraries. This is proposed to be done by conducting or supporting research, demonstrating new techniques and methods, and disseminating the results; by coordinating efforts to improve the resources and services of libraries, and by improving relations between American and foreign libraries and archives.

#### NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OF LIBRARIANSHIP, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

##### Late Afternoon and Evening Courses Available

During the Spring Quarter 1957 (April 1-June 14) the School of Librarianship at the University of Washington has re-scheduled Librarianship 462, titled, "Reading for Young People" to 4-6 p. m. Thursday, and Librarianship 460, titled, "School Library Administration" to 7-9 p. m. Thursday. These courses will be given as part of the **regular degree program** but have been re-scheduled for the convenience of in-service librarians, teachers and school administrators. The course descriptions are as follows:

- Lib. 460 School Library Administration (3)  
Methods of developing a strongly functioning library as an in-

tegral part of the school. Planning the library; public relations; personnel; objectives, organization and administration of modern school libraries.

- Lib. 462 Reading of Young People (3)  
Principles of evaluation and selection of books for young people. Study of available materials; sources of information about books and reading interests.

##### Two-Term Summer Session in 1957

For the first time since prior to World War II the School of Librarianship will have a two-term summer session in 1957. Each term is 4½ weeks, the total Summer Quarter being 9 weeks (June 24-August 23). It will be possible to take 7½ quarter credits of work in each term and it will be possible to attend one term rather than both terms if the student so desires. This arrangement is being tried at the request of teachers and teacher-librarians. The course work during the Summer Quarter includes most of the courses offered during the academic year. Within a few weeks a detailed schedule of the Summer Quarter program will be available and will be mailed to anyone who requests it.

#### IRVING LIEBERMAN ADDRESSES KING COUNTY LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Dr. Irving Lieberman, director of the University of Washington School of Librarianship, was the featured speaker at the King County Local Library Trustees' Association meeting at King County Public Library Headquarters in Seattle on October 26.

Challenging library trustees to strive for fresh vision in library service to their communities, Dr. Lieberman commented that, "The role of the library today is no longer that of a mere storehouse or repository for books, but from its shelves should flow a live current of information and materials to enrich the community and its individuals."

Industrial and research libraries and public libraries from the largest to the smallest are being studied as units. The University of Washington Library School is devoting a two-year period to a full time study of all library facilities in the state of Washington.

At no time since Andrew Carnegie gave \$60,000,000 to build libraries has there been such an exciting year in the development of libraries as 1957 will be, Dr. Lieberman believes.

#### AROUND THE STATE

**BELLINGHAM** A new library-sponsored discussion group, "The Peace Forum," was started in the Bellingham Public Library during October. Miss Arta Lawrence, former Grays Harbor Junior College librarian, serves as discussion leader. The first of the nine proposed topics—all relating to the general theme of world peace—was "The Suez crisis." "Peaceful uses of atomic energy" is one of the future topics, and others include "What kind of foreign aid is effective?" "The color curtain—can social segregation be overcome?" "Open covenants vs. secret diplomacy" and "Religion's contributions to peace."



**BREMERTON** "News of a different type for a change," writes Mrs. Evelyn Bowen, librarian, Kitsap Regional Library. "A self-styled 'four-time loser' found himself behind bars in Bremerton after having taken nearly \$60 of the library's petty cash."

U. S. Representative Thomas M. Pelly, headed for conferences at the Puget Sound naval shipyard, parked his sedan directly across from the library. A bookmobile backed out of its parking place along side the library building "crunching" into the side of Mr. Pelly's car to the tune of \$40 worth of damage!

**BURTON** In the bus terminal, with new gleaming white walls and a neon light over the entrance, the Burton Branch of the King County Public Library is now centrally and conveniently located for its many patrons.

**DAYTON** W. B. Hooper of Miami, Florida, formerly a Dayton business man, presented the library with \$2,000, the second gift within the year. Earlier he sent the library a check for \$1,000.

**CAMAS** The Camas Public Library is participating in the Great Books Discussion programs. Leaders for the groups were trained at classes held in Portland beginning October 29.

**EATONVILLE** The new library in Eatonville is to be opened the first of the year, and it will be operated as a branch of the Pierce County Library. Rent in the amount of \$200 is being underwritten by the local Chamber of Commerce.

**EVERETT** Annually the Everett Public Library subscribes to more than 200 magazines and receives gift subscriptions to over 175 more including a number of government publications.

**LAKE STEVENS** First of the committees to submit its report to the general meeting of the Lake Stevens Development Study program was the one on the library needs of the community. To help get the folks of the area in a frame of mind to think and talk library, an open house was held in the afternoon. The program during the evening included talks by Miss Maryan E. Reynolds, state librarian, Mrs. Emily Wilson, librarian, Snohomish County Library, and Mrs. Hazel Duncan and Mrs. Gladys Barnes also of the county library.

**LONGVIEW** Approximately 200 children made the train trip from Longview to Centralia, offered on completion of the required reading of 12 books during the summer and a written report on each. Of the 950 who signed up for the program, 250 finished, and at least 75% of the remainder read over half of the required number of books. Several read 50 or more.

A slide and film strip projector is the newest of the four projectors now available in the Longview Public Library. The new machine is the product of the TDC division of the Bell and Howell Company and is highly recommended for institutional use. Other projectors in the library's audio-visual department are a 16mm moving picture and sound projector, a microfilm reader, and a ceiling projector.

**NILE** The Nile branch of the Yakima Valley Regional Library was opened November 4 in its new quarters located in the Community building, which was made possible by volunteer work. A fire destroyed the original library on August 19.

**OLYMPIA** Several changes are taking place in the Regional Public Library (Thurston-Mason counties) which the staff believes gives speedier and better service to the public. New free-standing cases and charging desk, both in light color, are to be installed. The library is adding scores of paper-back books to provide patrons with the latest detective stories, western yarns, and sea sagas. Most pocket books added will be titles no longer obtainable in the regular bindings.

Two-week bookmobile service is replacing the monthly service throughout Mason and Thurston counties. A reorganized budget made possible the additional personnel needed to staff the bookmobile and headquarters for the remainder of 1956 and increased funds will be available in 1957.

**OTHELLO** Othello's Board of Library Trustees held its first meeting September 21 in the city hall. Mrs. Norris Wood was officially appointed librarian. She was one of several women who had donated her services during the two years the library was being developed and maintained by the Newcomers Club.

**PIERCE COUNTY** The Home-Lakebay branch library has been completely renovated, and it has taken on that "new look."

**PULLMAN** Friends of the Library, Washington State College, held an open dinner meeting on October 18 at which Dr. James T. Babb, Yale University librarian was the featured speaker. Dr. Babb's subject was "Adventures in book collecting."

**ROLLING BAY** Funds from a silver tea on November 9 were used for the library which is open to all Bainbridge Islanders Thursday afternoons and evenings. The Library is a branch of the Kitsap Regional Library.

**ST. JOHN** During August, the St. John's Public Library became a part of the Whitman County Library. Mrs. Robert Hegler is the librarian.

**SEATTLE** A memorial library, dedicated to "a man of energy, vision and zeal, Charles C. Thompson," was presented to the University of Washington's College of Business Administration. The library covers every phase of life insurance and is designed to promote the study of life insurance at the University as well as to serve as a memorial to the late Mr. Thompson who was the Seattle manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company for 38 years.

Each year, the Pacific Northwest Bibliographic Center, located in the University of Washington Library, but supported by the Pacific Northwest Library Association, processes about 12,000 requests and makes 250,000 card changes in its file of the holdings of 39 libraries in British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington and the Library of Congress and the John Crear Library in Chicago.



Twenty-one Great Books discussion groups began their fall meetings early in October. Several of the groups meet in the branch libraries.

**SPOKANE** About 150 persons visited the Spokane Public Library during its annual open house held this year on November 18. The program included recordings of reminiscences by pioneers of early-day Spokane.

The Magazine section of the Spokesman-Review for November 18 carried three full pages of text and illustrations on "A library needs loyal friends" (Spokane has them; they face many problems like that of a 51-year old central library building) and "Hi-Fi addicts find a 'home' at the library (the record section is a favorite).

**SUMNER** Beautiful antiques were used for the decorations at the annual Library Tea sponsored by the Sumner Women's Civic Improvement Club on November 21. Among the out of town guests were two former librarians, Mrs. Lyal Shirk, who now lives in Lakewood, and Mrs. S. A. Witherspoon, of Tacoma.

**SUNNYSIDE** Each Tuesday, a reference librarian from the Yakima Valley Regional Library spends the day at the Sunnyside branch giving special attention to answering reference requests and assisting researchers.

**TACOMA** An unusual gift of 1,100 volumes of American and foreign literature from the library of the late Clarence G. Geissler has been given to the College of Puget Sound Library. According to Mr. Warren Perry, librarian, many of the books are collectors' items. The collection includes many first editions and rare and exquisitely bound volumes.

The Tacoma Public Library is sponsoring two classes in French conversation and one in German. Each class meets weekly for a two-hour session.

**TOPPENISH** National Letter Writing Week was commemorated in the Toppenish Public Library. Mrs. G. D. Dahlman, librarian, made an attractive display of various kinds of stationery and below it arranged books on letter writing. "I had a hard time keeping the shelf full, the books were checked out so rapidly," said Mrs. Dahlman.

**VASHON** On October 10, Miss Marjorie K. Stanley, librarian of the Vashon branch, King County Library, said "Fifty-eight school children, two teachers and a dog visited the library. The students and the dog sat on the floor while we addressed the young audience. We thought we were going to explain what was meant by the phrase 'I agree to obey the rules of the library' on the cards they sign, but they told us all the answers with waiving hands. They were such good listeners to the story we told, and so well behaved that we hated to see them go. Even the dog was good!"

**VAUGHN** More space for a larger collection of books with a wider range of selection is being provided for the Vaughn branch of the Pierce County Library. The library's room, in the Key Peninsula Civic Center, has been redecorated and new shelving installed.

**WOODLAND** An attentive group of sixty-five youngsters listened to stories at the first Children's Story Hour held in the Woodland Public Library on the third Saturday in October. Miss Dorothy Doyle, State

Library consultant conducted a story telling training class the day before and participated in the story telling hour on Saturday. The PTA sponsored the project and plan to help carry on the weekly programs.

**YAKIMA COUNTY** Three bookmobiles serve 97 community stops and 26 school stops. The bookmobiles go every two weeks to the 97 community stops—every three weeks to the 26 schools.

### IT HAPPENED IN '46

On October 23, 1946, the Grays Harbor County Library and the city library of Montesano merged to give more and better services.

The seventh branch of the "Yakima County Library" was established at Armstrong, and Granger became the third incorporated city to contract for library services in that area. During the fall, Bothell became the thirty-third branch in the three-year old King County Library system.

Plans were made to bring the Great Books discussion program to four Northwest cities: Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and Vancouver, B. C.

### 1956 VOTERS APPROVED \$6,486,500 FOR NEW LIBRARY BUILDINGS

Climaxing a well planned and organized campaign of several months, voters in the unincorporated areas of Yakima County approved the \$400,000 library bond issue by a 62% majority. In the city of Yakima, 62.2% of the vote cast favored another \$400,000 bond issue. Together, the \$800,000 will be used to construct and furnish a modern, functional 2-story, fire-resistant, library plant to serve rural and city readers throughout the area. A site 200 x 140 feet is owned by the city and county, part of which is taken up by the present outdated and totally inadequate structure. The proposed new building will allow for expansion for the next twenty years, and so constructed that, if necessary, another floor can be added.

The use of the Yakima Valley Regional Library has tripled since 1950, necessitating the occupancy of two other buildings blocks apart. Mrs. Helen S. Gilbert, librarian, her staff and scores of library friends are to be praised for the superb job of informing citizens about the needs of the library and the improved services to be forthcoming as a result of proper building facilities.

After a short, but intensive campaign, a total of \$600,000 is to be available from the city of Wenatchee and the unincorporated areas of Chelan County for a new North Central Regional Library as a result of the November 6 election. This proposed building, too, is long overdue. The site and details about the plan will be announced in the next issue of the Library News Bulletin.

Ephrata's \$86,500 library building bond passed with a safe majority. A beautiful and commodious building has been planned for this fast growing eastern Washington town located in the center of the Columbia Basin irrigation project.

In Seattle during the March election, voters approved a \$5,000,000 bond issue for the construction of an up-to-date building for the central library. The new building will be erected on the site of the present one which is to be torn down soon. During the construction period, the library will move to a commercial building on the corner of Seventh and Olive Way. Mr. John



S. Richards and his staff of 150 think it is "providential" that the Puget Sound Power and Light Building is available at this time.

Three experts, Pietro Belluschi, dean of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's School of Architecture, Ralph A. Ulveling, director of the Detroit Public Library, and A. P. Herrman, dean of the University of Washington's School of Architecture, were called in to make a study and report on the site for the main library. The recommendations of these men were accepted by the Board of Library Trustees. An architect is yet to be chosen. Mr. Ulveling said that population growth and the increasing higher level of education mean greater library use and indicated that the Seattle Public Library system would "have to grow in size enormously." He also said that with a new building the library would be able to have many more specialized departments than are possible in the present building.

### THE NEW WHITMAN COLLEGE LIBRARY

(Excerpts from Joel E. Ferris' *Spokesman Review* article.)

Among century-old trees on the Whitman college campus at Walla Walla, Washington, surrounded by ivy-covered buildings, a fine new library—the Penrose Memorial library—is rapidly nearing completion, and paid for in full by loyal alumni and friends of the college.

To the student body, wisely limited to less than 1,000, the new library will bring their most valuable educational facility. To the faculty, a modern center of research and study will be provided. To the historian, it will make available priceless historical material, manuscripts and documents concerning the early days of our Pacific Northwest including the collection of the Marcus and Narcissa Whitman letters and records. To the alumnae and former students, it will bring even greater pride in Whitman college with its unique history of scholarship and standing and its record as the oldest incorporated college or university in Washington. The territorial legislature enacted the charter December 30, 1859.

Whitman has been a nonsectarian, Christian college for over 50 years and has no debt, a substantial endowment and has operated on a balanced budget for the last 20 years.

No other name than that of Dr. Stephen B. L. Penrose, president of Whitman from 1894 to 1934, was ever suggested for the library. It is a tribute to a great scholar and character who came west from Pennsylvania in 1890, first as pastor of the Congregational church at Dayton, Washington, and then in 1894 as president of Whitman College.

He was one of the famous Yale College band of scholars and theologians who came west to assume positions of influence and leadership in churches largely in Washington which had just become a state. Dr. Penrose was an author, educator, and a great leader and influenced the lives of thousands of students to an unusual extent. His wife, Mary Shipman Penrose, was beloved and active in the community and college and was known as Mother Penrose, a sweet, able and lovely character.

Whitman library material and collections accumulated over many years include over 92,000 bound volumes and 136,000 unbound documents and as a depository since 1890 of government documents, it makes a large collection of important material available. Special provision in the new building is made for the extensive and rare collection of Northwest Americana in the Northwest history room which includes:

The Whitman family Bible which records the birth and death of Marcus Whitman.

The original diary of Mrs. Whitman.

The diaries of Henry Harmon Spalding and Mrs. Spalding.

The Catherine Sager memoirs of the Whitman massacre.

A passport, March 9, 1838, giving Cushing Eells the right to pass through the Indian country.

Cushing Eells license to preach dated 1837.

Letters of Dr. and Mrs. Whitman.

Rare items from the Lapwai press printed in Nez Perce in 1840 and 1842 probably are the only ones in existence. Offers of large amounts have been made for them by eastern collectors and institutions. In the rare book collections are found a first edition of Webster's dictionary and a second edition of the Concordance of the Holy Scriptures published in 1672.

There is a large collection of microfilm and microcards, film strips, music and speech records and a library of lantern slides and pictures.

The college museum of Northwest history, which is almost entirely confined to historical and pioneer material, will be housed in the fireproof library and contains many priceless items and records. A fine arts room and a special map section are provided.

The library building is of brick colonial type planned on the modular system, three stories in height, 75x180 feet, with a large furnished attic and will be used to house a half-million volumes. This is far different from the original library of 1883 where 740 bound volumes and 90 pamphlets were housed in a room 21x22 feet in College hall, a frame building described in the college catalogue as one of the finest libraries in the Northwest. Rooms for study and research are provided and the most modern library facilities are arranged throughout including special rooms for fine art, rare editions, music, literature, records, audio-visual equipment, microfilm equipment and special study and conference rooms.

Whitman's history began in 1859 when the Rev. Cushing Eells, a pioneer and missionary, established the school as a memorial to Marcus and Narcissa Whitman who, with 12 others, were massacred by the Indians one late November day in 1847.

Words are difficult to find to describe Stephen B. L. Penrose. He was a tall, large man with a commanding yet gentle personality, handsome with his gray hair and fine features. In his later years, when retired with the title of president emeritus, his sight gone, he continued to lecture and to dictate his last two books, "Philosophy for Low Brows," and "Whitman, the Unfinished Story."

The citizens of Walla Walla have great pride in Whitman College and its many activities of culture, music and lectures. When you enter Walla Walla and visit Whitman College you feel a sense of beauty and calmness and character, a city of fine people, a fine college and now one of the finest libraries in the country to house one of the greatest collections of library material in the entire west.

The president of Whitman today, through whose efforts this library has been made possible, is Dr. Chester C. Maxey, a native of Ellensburg, a graduate of Whitman in 1912, and president since 1948.

At its dedication this fall the Penrose Memorial library will become the real center of the college and the campus with its 19 buildings.



The site of Whitman College marks the great treaty encampment of 1853 where Governor Isaac Stevens met with 5,000 Indians of the Nez Perce, Yakima and Umatilla tribes to conclude a great and historic peace treaty.

The old and the new, the cultural and progressive unite at Whitman College to center in the beautiful Penrose Memorial library.

### GONZAGA UNIVERSITY LIBRARY UNDER CONSTRUCTION

(Reported in the *Spokane Chronicle*)

Actor Bing Crosby, wisecracking as he wielded a shiny new shovel, broke ground for the Crosby Memorial Library Building before a crowd of 350 September 11 on the Gonzaga University Campus, Spokane. Crosby, a native Washingtonian and former Gonzaga student, has given \$405,000 for the project which it is estimated will cost upward of \$800,000.

Surrounded by Gonzaga regents, faculty members and alumni and Mayor Willard Taft, Crosby slipped out of a dark blue jacket to dig vigorously in the gravelly soil.

Urged on by a battery of photographers, he dug not one shovelful but several.

A galvanized pail of the upturned earth was lugged away by the Rev. Clifford A. Carroll, librarian, who announced he was going to keep "possession of this precious dirt in commemoration of this fateful day."

Father Carroll, speaking over a public address system, said the library was the realization of a dream of years for him. He predicted that the building would be completed by next summer.

Later he introduced the Very Rev. Francis E. Corkery, Gonzaga president, who described the occasion as a "happy and fortuitous one."

**"A library is the heart and soul of a university and all the world knows how profoundly grateful we are to Bing," he said.**

Praised for making a long-cherished dream of the university come true, Crosby, his usual casual self, grinned as he grasped the new shovel with its large silken bow of Gonzaga colors, blue and white.

"It's more than a long-cherished dream," he said lightly. "When I look back to my days at Gonzaga when I played football, basketball, baseball, marbles or anything else to get out of studies, it's somewhat of a miracle that the Crosby name will adorn a Gonzaga building."

### FLORIDA OFFERS THREE GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

The University of Florida Libraries is offering three graduate assistantships in the academic year 1957-58 for study leading to a master's or doctoral degree in a subject field other than library science. Graduate assistants work approximately 15 hours per week in the Library, assisting in bibliographical research or library administration.

Stipend is \$1,400 for a nine month period and holders of assistantships are exempt from out-of-state tuition fees. The deadline for filing formal application is March 31, 1957.

Inquiries are invited, especially from librarians and students in library schools who are interested in advanced work in subject fields. Applications should be made to: Director of Libraries, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

### FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

Snohomish and Island county school librarians decided to sponsor workshops for student librarians on a county wide basis as their 1956-1957 project. President Leslie Mason, Whidbey Island, appointed Eileen Godfrey, Lake Stevens, chairman for the high school group. Ruth Allen of Lynwood will chairmen the junior high groups and Donna Franklin, Martha Lake, the elementary schools. The group also plans library publicity exchanges and later a joint meeting with school administrators.

Officers of the Yakima regional unit of the Washington State School Libraries Association are: President, Mrs. Leta Berges, West Valley; Treasurer, Louise Murdock, Grandview; and Secretary and Publicity Chairman, Elaine Hamm, Yakima. When the group met in October, Dr. Irving Lieberman, Director, School of Librarianship, University of Washington, was the guest speaker.

The Bellevue elementary school libraries have taken to the stage this year. This is the result of overcrowded conditions which will continue to exist until the two new elementary schools are completed. The shift in library housing has necessitated emergency shelving along with the makeshift quarters. Classrooms and storerooms have been scoured for all movable bookcases, and these have been combined in every way possible so that the library show can go on.

"There is no space for seated readers in these stagestruck libraries. Enclosed as they are behind the stage curtains, their cozy atmosphere is more like a bookstore, with browsing the only possible form of activity.

"Other library projects, aside from actually borrowing and returning books, has to be carried on in the classrooms. With an unseen audience that does not want to hear the actors, Bellevue library users have to restrain their enthusiasm for books to whispered comments until they can carry their week's selection back to class.

"But eager readers always find a way to share their adventures in reading, and the Bellevue Elementary Schools have found a way to make the library period a working part of the school program."

*Pioneer teachers of Washington*, by Joseph T. Hazard, historian of the Seattle Retired Teachers Association, is a welcome addition to Washington literature and education material. Through the lives of Washington's pioneer educators, the development in the teaching profession had been traced in this book which offers good and lively reading. It presents much new Washington history; tells the authentic story of founding the "Oregon Trail"; and revives the thrills of crossing Santa Ana's Mexico.

Mr. Hazard, a Washington author of long standing, and a faithful researcher and library patron, offers the book to school and public libraries at \$2.76 postpaid and including sales tax; otherwise, the price is \$3.22 delivered. All royalties and profits will be used in the interest of teachers and education, says Mr. Hazard. Orders should be addressed to Mrs. Lydia E. Forsyth, Chairman, 4137 Beach Drive, Seattle 6, Washington.

*Crusade* is a monthly periodical offering professional advisory and advancement service for the field of education. World wide and U. S. teaching and library position vacancies are listed. There are no fees connected with applications and listings, but a subscription to the magazine is \$5 for one year; \$9 for two, \$12 for three; \$14 for four, and \$15 for five years. Address



Crusade at any of the following: The Plains, Ohio; Box 121, Palo Alto, California; Box 222, Williamsburg Station, Brooklyn, New York.

*Mathematics teaching aids for a stronger America* was prepared as part of The Illinois Curriculum Program—Aviation Education Project. This 75-page booklet will enable mathematics teachers to greatly enrich their study programs by creating in the student awareness of the various application of mathematics to aviation. It is one of a series which secondary school teachers may use as instructional aids for aviation education. Copies may be obtained for 75¢ by writing to Dr. Evan Evans, Executive Director, National Aviation Council, 1025 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington 6, D. C..

*Bigger and better book bazaars*, a complete manual for planning and conducting school book bazaars may be secured from Scholastic Teacher Magazine, 33 West 42nd Street, New York 36, New York. The price is 50¢ alone, or it is included in the \$1.50 Book Bazaar packet along with the following:

1. 7-10 jackets of new books. Display the jackets on the new Book Bazaar poster or on library books.
2. New "Adventures in Reading" poster, 43" x 33" for wall display.
3. New radio script for assembly, class, radio or P. T. A. showing. Theme: reading. Easy to produce.
4. Cardboard letters spelling B-O-O-K B-A-Z-A-A-R for wall display.
5. Two recommended book lists for 1956-57
  - a. Paperbound book list of four leading companies.
  - b. Hard-cover book list of leading publishers.
6. New, revised list of supply houses which furnish books for Book Bazaars.
7. Five-page booklet on how to choose encyclopedias and dictionaries and how to take orders for them at Book Bazaars.

The 1957 CRS (*Children's Reading Service*) is a central source for "purchasing the books of all publishers and audio-visual aids of all manufacturers." At any rate this 11th annual catalog is a well annotated list of 1,000 carefully chosen books for supplementary reading from kindergarten through senior high school. The Editor-in-chief is Max Francke, Principal, Anna Howard Shaw School (Public School 61), New York City, and the catalog is published by Children's Reading Service, 1078 St. John's Place, Brooklyn 13, New York. Two types of book exhibits are offered by CRS—School Exhibit which enables school personnel to inspect books before placing orders, and PTA Book Fair which provides teachers, pupils and parents with an opportunity to select and purchase good books and thereby earn an income for their school fund. Copies of the new catalog are available free to those who request them on official school and library letterheads. Teachers and librarians are urged to request full details about any and all of the agency's services.

### FIRST INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARD Given to Eleanor Farjeon's "The Little Bookroom"

The Hans Christian Anderson Medal, the first international children's book award, has been given to *The Little Bookroom*, by Eleanor Farjeon, illustrated by Edward Ardizzone, published by Oxford University Press. Mr. Ardizzone, representing Miss Farjeon, accepted the award from Princess Margareta of Sweden on September 15 at the International Children's Books Board Congress in Stockholm.

The award, which was set up at the Geneva Congress last year, is the only international children's book award in existence.

*The Little Bookroom* is also the recent winner of the Carnegie Medal, the British award for a children's book. This award is made by the Library Association in England for the "outstanding children's book of the year."

### THE CASE AGAINST "SERIES" BOOKS

DOROTHY DOYLE, State Library Consultant

We agree with the statement "Tripe they were in the beginning, tripe they are now, and tripe they always will be." The State Library has always advised libraries to dispose of what are commonly referred to as "unrecommended series." The answer as to why they should not be included in any standard good book collection is found in an article "*For it was indeed he*" published in the April 1934 issue of *Fortune Magazine*. This article depicts the background of the then fifty-cent juveniles, as they were called, and their inventor, Mr. Edward Stratmeyer. Stratmeyer started this part of his career when he completed some works of Horatio Alger and continued writing under numerous pseudonyms: Laura Lee Hope (*Bobbsey Twins*), Arthur Winfield (*Rover Boys*, Victory Appleton (*Tom Swift*), Clarence Young (*Motor Boys*), Carolyn Keene (*Nancy Drew*), to become the father of this bulk type writing. He, himself, wrote, or conceived for others to write for him, 800 of this kind of juvenile "tripe". His death in 1930 made no appreciable difference in the publishing of such material since the Stratmeyer Syndicate continued his work. Some twenty hack writers, including Howard Garis, author of *Uncle Wiggily* books, were given an outline of time, characters and destinies from which they produced still another book in a given series and were paid for their product, releasing all claims to ownership.

Basically, such books as these, which are accounts of almost superhuman exploits of adolescents, have no literary pretensions and ramble on through numerous volumes. For such books as the *Nancy Drew* series, one can easily understand, knowing this background, that "substantial profit for author and publisher is its only, and unblushing purpose." Not, you must agree, the best requisite for a juvenile book!

It was in 1913 that Franklin K. Mathiews, Chief Librarian of the Boy Scouts of America took action to counteract the flood of cheap books by convincing GROSSET & DUNLAP, publisher of the Stratmeyer series, to publish in reprint editions the works of such then approved juvenile authors as Altsheler, Barbour and Heyliger. These books, then, became available to more children. Mr. Mathiews went a step farther in writing in OUTLOOK MAGAZINE an article, "*Blowing out a boy's brains*."

Here he wrote, "One of the most valuable assets a boy has is his imagination . . . Story books of the right sort stimulate and conserve this noble faculty, while those of the cheaper sort, by overstimulations, debauch and vitiate, as brain and body are debauched and destroyed by strong drink."

Though some forty-three years later, such "tripe" is still to be found on library shelves, we regret to note and refuse to condone. With a world of good books today, it is inexcusable for any librarian today to waste money on anything but the best in the juvenile field.



### AUTHORS ELIGIBLE FOR \$30,000 AWARDS

The American Library Association announced November 12 that awards totalling \$30,000 will be made to the authors of books published in 1956 and in 1957 which "make distinguished contributions to the American tradition of liberty and justice." The awards, administered by the ALA Committee on Intellectual Freedom whose chairman is former ALA President Robert B. Downs, are made possible by a grant from the Fund for the Republic.

Mr. Downs said: "Purpose of the *ALA Liberty and Justice Book Awards* is to draw attention of Americans to outstanding books in this important area; to encourage authors and publishers in creating such books; to recognize those who do so." He added there will be three awards of \$5,000 each to the authors of the most distinguished books published in the United States in 1956 and in 1957 in these categories: Contemporary problems and affairs (non-fiction); history and biography (non-fiction); and imaginative literature (fiction, poetry or published drama). Publishers of award-winning books will receive citations.

Separate juries of three persons prominent in each of the three fields of work represented by the categories will select the award winners. The nine judges for 1956 will be announced when they have accepted.

"Anyone—anywhere—may suggest published works to be considered by the judges. We plan to issue a brochure as soon as possible which will give details of the awards, and these will be available in libraries throughout the country; they will also be sent directly to publishers and other interested institutions and organizations."

The awards for books published in 1956 will be made at a presentation ceremony scheduled to be held on the evening of April 25, 1957, in the new Donnell Library Center, New York Public Library, 20 West 53rd street in New York. Time and place of awards for books published in 1957 will be announced later.

Awards are not mandatory. If a jury finds no distinguished contribution in its field, it will not make an award.

Inquiries and suggestions for the awards should be sent to: Robert B. Downs, Chairman, ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee, University of Illinois Libraries, Urbana, Illinois.

### WLA HISTORY AVAILABLE AT SPECIAL PRICE

*Twenty-five years of the Washington Library Association*, by Helen Johns, Head of Circulation Division, University of Washington Library, (and a past president of WLA), is now available for immediate delivery. The price is \$2.50 to WLA members. Orders should be sent to Mr. Gene Bitmuti, Washington State Library, Olympia. To non members the price is \$3.50 and orders should go directly to the publisher, Stanley Croonquist, Pacific Books, 2060 Bryant, Palo Alto, California.

### RECENT ADDITIONS TO WASHINGTON AUTHORS COLLECTION

Bard, Mary. *Just be yourself*. Philadelphia and New York, Lippincott, 1956. \$3.50. (See Wilson Bulletin, September 1, 1956, p. 14.)  
Binns, Archie. *The enchanted islands*. New York, Duell Sloane and Pearce, 1956. \$3.00.

- Dodson, Kenneth. *Stranger to the shore*. Boston, Little, Brown and Company, 1956. \$3.95.  
Finney, Gertrude Elva. *Is this my love*. New York, Longmans, Green and Company, 1956. \$3.00.  
Frazier, Nita. *Secret friend*. New York, Longmans, Green and Company, 1956. \$2.75.  
Freeman, Otis W., editor. *Resources of Washington*, preliminary edition. Seattle, Washington State Resources Committee, 1954. \$5.00.  
Friet, Edwin L. and Peterson, Del G. *Design for outdoor education*. Yakima, P. S. Printers, Inc., 1956. \$1.50.  
Guberlet, Muriel Lewin. *The seashore parade*. New York, The Ronald Press Company, 1942. \$2.50.  
Hale, Bob. *Web feet and "fur trees"*. Seattle, Genius Inc., 1956. \$1.00.  
Henry, Ralph Chester. *The majestic land*. Indianapolis, Bobbs-Merrill, 1950. \$2.50.  
Hooper, Lucille L. *The patent-leather thumping shoes*. Caldwell, Idaho, Caxton, 1955. \$3.50.  
Lochry, Marie Antonette. *Corsages of pods and cones*. Seattle, Chieftain Press, 1955. \$4.00.  
Montgomery, Elizabeth Rider. *Half-pint fisherman*. New York, Dodd, Mead and Company, 1956. \$3.00.  
Pargeter, Richard. *Olympics in relief*. Bremerton, 1956. \$1.50.  
Perry, Richard Wilbert. *The shack of the cedar shakes*. Philadelphia, Dorrance, 1951. \$2.50.  
Poetry Scribes of Spokane. *Turquoise lanterns*. Spokane, Leo's Publishing House, 1956.  
Ross, Zola Helen. *Murder in mink*. New York, Arcadia House, 1956. \$2.50.  
Rucker, Helen. *Cargo of brides*. Boston, Little, Brown and Company, 1956. \$3.95.  
Shad, Georgia. *Mary E. Hatfield LaFollette my pioneer mother*. Weiser, Idaho, Commercial Printers and Publishers, 1954. \$2.50.  
Sherburne, Zoa. *Almost April*. New York, William Morrow & Company, 1956. \$2.75.

### DRUMMERS AND DREAMERS

Recently off the press is Click Relander's *Drummers and dreamers* (Caxton. \$6.00.) The rapidly dwindling Wanapum Indians, after whom the second dam in the Priest Rapids project is named, are immortalized in this well documented book. Mr. Relander is city editor of the Yakima Daily Republic. It therefore seems appropriate that we quote herewith a review written by the editor of the Columbia Basin Herald:

"Long a student and writer of Indian lore, Relander is the first white man ever taken into confidence by the Wanapums, River People of the mysterious Dreamer faith.

"There are five survivors of the once numerous Wanapum tribe and they live at Priest Rapids in the last tule mat long house. Their camp site will be flooded out by the great dams which soon will block the Columbia River, and the Grant County Public Utility District has agreed to move the Wanapums intact to a new site on higher ground.

"Puck Hyah Toot, known to his white friends as Johnny Buck, is headman of the Wanapums. He is a descendent of Snowhala, the Prophet, whose



beliefs spread among 20,000 Indians. Although he was not a chief, Smohala is recognized today as having been a great leader of his people.

"When the unusual Wanapums broke a long silence to tell the story of this illustrious ancestor, they did so because they wished it preserved before they became extinct. Their story is also a story of the building of the Northwest, the hydroelectric and navigation projects along the Columbia, and the development of millions of acres of sagebrush land.

Relander was the man entrusted with the story by Puck Hyah Toot. When the name Wanapum was bestowed on one of the Priest Rapids dams by the Grant County PUD, Puck Hyah Toot said, "As long as we have friends, we have nothing to fear in the future."

"Relander's 360-page book carries 52 illustrations from photographs. One of the photos, a shot of Wanapum rock carvings on Whale Island at the Pries Rapids site, was taken by Gilbert Kaynor, co-publisher of the Columbia Daily Herald.

"Relander came to Yakima in 1945 from California. His many years of close study of the rapidly disappearing Indian tribes of California's San Joaquin Valley equipped him to become a friend and brother to the Wanapums of Priest Rapids."

#### WANTED: MATERIALS ON PACIFIC NORTHWEST INDIANS

The Northwest Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs is attempting to build up a collection of materials on the Indians of the Pacific Northwest, including the area encompassed by Idaho, Montana, Washington, and Oregon as well as British Columbia and Alaska. The bureau is willing to pay the postage charges on any book, periodical, or pamphlet which any library or individual may care to donate. Kindly address material to: Erik Bromberg, Librarian, U. S. Dept. of the Interior Library, P. O. Box 3537, Portland, Oregon.

#### GAYLORD BROTHERS CELEBRATE 60 YEARS OF SERVICE TO LIBRARIES

September, 1956, marked the sixtieth year of Gaylord Brothers' service to libraries. The first product manufactured by this company was a transparent adhesive parchment paper which was advertised in the December, 1896, issue of the Library Journal. Until Gaylord developed "folded and sealed" book pockets as you know them, they came flat. Double-stitched binder was originated in 1909, and the present popular LP records case is a descendant of the old "Disk record holder." In commenting about the anniversary a company official said "From the very beginning, it was our librarian friends who aided in the development and growth of the firm. By their encouragement, support and ideas we have reached this milestone. To all of you our heartfelt gratitude on this happy occasion."

Librarians are pleased to return the compliment and express their appreciation of the prompt, courteous and efficient service of Gaylord Brothers. The high standards of the company are reflected in the fine representatives it sends to call on us and attend our library association meetings. Many more happy birthday anniversaries!

#### HAVE YOU SEEN—?

—*Work measurement in technical information activities*, a paper presented by Chris G. Stevenson, Manager, Technical Information Operation, General Electric Company, Richland, for the SLA post-Convention Institute on Special Librarianship and Documentation, and printed in the November issue of *Special Libraries*? Mr. Stevenson discusses technical information activities and outlines four necessary criteria for measuring rapidly increasing technical information services.

—*Trustees have an axe to grind?* Mrs. Virginia Kirkus is one of three to present trustee problems in articles appearing in the October 15, 1956 *Library Journal*. Mrs. Kirkus says, "Every trustee has a headache, but the rewards more than compensate for the pains."

—*Action manual for library recruiters*, sponsored by the Joint Committee on Library work as a career, was written by John F. Harvey. It appeared first in the *Wilson Bulletin* for September, 1956, and a reprint is available from Mr. Harvey by writing to him at the Kansas State Teachers College, Pittsburg.

—*The State and publicly supported libraries*. U. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Office of Education. Miscellaneous No. 24. 1956. 85 p. \$.55.

—*Rural community organizations; selecter annotated references*. U. S. Department of Agriculture. Miscellaneous Publication No. 729. June, 1956. 124 p. Information about the rural community, its organization, functions, and programs. Useful aid to extension workers, agricultural teachers, researchers.

—*Purloined or misshelved*. *Wilson Bulletin*, November, 1956. p. 267. Roman Mostar, Order and Research Librarian, University of Washington, relates experiences with "open stacks," in which he says, "In January of this year, the restrictions at the University of Washington Library stacks were completely removed. Now anybody may use the stacks. This means that a potential of 14,000 students and 1,500 faculty members are free to browse on six floors of stacks. Predictions of disaster were voiced by some members of the staff. But the potential has yet to develop. The majority of library users still ask at the desk for help, and are usually hesitant about marching into the stacks to find their own books."

#### NEW ALA PUBLICATIONS

*Public Library Service: A Guide to Evaluation With Minimum Standards*. 96 pages. Paper, \$1.50.

*Costs of Public Library Service in 1956*. 24 pages. Supplement to above. Paper, \$.65. Gives sample budgets; serves as index to costs based on current research.

*Library Adult Education In Action*. 192 pages. Cloth, \$4.00.

A documented and well-written factual study of the aims and methods of adult education in public libraries.

*The School Library Supervisor*. 104 pages. Paper, \$1.75.

This new book is a collection of ten papers presented at a recent Institute of the University of Illinois Library School. It is the first comprehensive attempt to deal with the subject, and brings together the current thinking and practical experience of the national leaders in the field. The basic questions are approached through general treatments of library supervision, and through specific studies of the work in the main types of school library system.



## SHORT STORY INDEX SUPPLEMENT

"Love Smelled of Vanilla," by H. Upshaw, is one of 9,575 stories in 549 collections indexed in the just-published *Short Story Index Supplement: 1950-1954*. Edited by Dorothy E. Cook and Estelle A. Fidell, published by the H. W. Wilson Company, 1956; cloth bound edition \$5.00. Entries are by subject, author, and title.

Besides being helpful to readers who want to locate a story in a hurry, the *Index* is a marvelous source of ideas for writers and other creative workers in Films, TV, Radio, Theater, Publishing, and similar areas. By looking under a subject heading like "*Juvenile Delinquency*," one can quickly discover how this topic has been treated by outstanding talents in fiction. The same can be done in the areas of *Science Fiction*, *Psychiatry*, and the modern script writer's most profitable category: *Mystery and Detective Stories*.

The new *Supplement* has retained all the features which caused reviewers to hail the *Short Story Index* foundation volume as "an indexing triumph" (Frances Cheney) and "an essential book in public, high school, and college libraries" (Library Journal). Its listings are in addition to the 4320 collections published in 1949 or earlier which can be located in the foundation volume.

## PERSONALS

Trustees of the Tacoma Public Library recently approved the appointment of MISS PATRICIA SHANNON as head of the extension department. Miss Shannon has been reference librarian in charge of government publications. Following graduation from the University of Washington School of Librarianship, Miss Shannon served in the Navy as a lieutenant (jg) and for five years was a translator of Japanese for the Army.

Retiring from the Tacoma Public Library staff on January 1 is MRS. MARY EDSON, who has held several positions in the system, among them that of a branch librarian and later in charge of extension work, including supervision of bookmobile services.

MRS. RUBY SHOEMAKER is the new librarian at Davenport.

While making up her mind whether to continue in the public library field or return to school library work, MISS ELLEN WRIGHT, a newcomer to the Yakima Valley Regional Library, is finding that she has "an opportunity to see the extent of services offered in Yakima and they seem vast" to her.

MR. HARRIS McCLASKEY has been named assistant librarian, Renton Public Library. Mr. McClaskey is a native of New Jersey, attended college in Ohio and is a graduate of the School of Librarianship, University of Washington.

When MISS JOHNNIE RINER, librarian, Pasco Public Library, resigned to return to Missouri, MRS. LOIS MORSE was made acting librarian. Mrs. Morse is a former teacher and has been with the library as an assistant for the past year and a half.

White Salmon's new librarian is MRS. OSCAR (LILLIAN) STERRETT. Mrs. Sterrett, a former teacher and teacher-librarian, has assisted in the library on many occasions during the past and also substituted for the librarian.

For reasons of health, MRS. JOSEPH KOLESAR, Richmond Beach librarian the past ten years, resigned October 1. The newly appointed librarian

is MRS. JAMES PATTENAUDE, who served in Lourde's Academy Library, Ellensburg. MRS. FRANK MADDOCKS is continuing as assistant librarian.

Two University of Washington graduates, MISS MAE SHOENROCK and MISS BARBARA MAUETH, are now members of the Yakima Valley Regional Library staff. Miss Shoenrock, a bookmobile librarian, had experience in the Snohomish County Library, and for the past year was a librarian at McChord Air Force Base. Miss Maueth spent six years in various non professional library positions at Pacific University and University of Washington before she earned her library degree. In Yakima she will spend most of her time working with children who use the bookmobile.

Fort Vancouver Regional Library bade goodbye to MISS ESTHER ALLEN, Children's Librarian, who moved to Hood River, Oregon, to become librarian there on December 1. MISS ALICE GETTY took over the program of children's work throughout the library's system, which includes Skamania as well as Clark county. Miss Getty has been with the library for several years, first as a non professional and then, following graduation from the School of Librarianship at the University, a professional assistant.

MISS MARY ENDSLEY, bookmobile librarian at Billings, Montana, will become bookmobile librarian for the Fort Vancouver Regional Library on December 1. Miss Endsley is a graduate of the University of Indiana, and has spent eleven years in the armed forces. At present she is an Air Force Reserve officer with the rank of Major. She has had 18 hours in library studies, and will finish her degree in librarianship at the University of Washington.

Wedding bells rang November 10 for MISS BARBARA HOSKINS, Yakima Valley Regional Library reference librarian and MR. QUENTIN SEARLES of Yakima where the new home is to be located.

MRS. JOHN GREER is now a senior assistant on the staff of the Grays Harbor County Library. Previously, Mrs. Greer was an assistant in children's work at the Aberdeen Public Library, and for a short time was librarian of the Cosmopolis branch.

When MRS. J. F. ROUSSEAU of Midland resigned to reenter the teaching field, the County Commissioners appointed MRS. ELMER THIEMAN of Buckley to the vacated position on the Pierce County Library Board of Trustees.

**IN MEMORIAM** As librarian of White Salmon for the past 15 years, Mrs.

Clara Putney brought to young and old alike a new and exciting world of books. Through her guidance they found new roads to travel through reading. In many a heart she instilled the rudiments of a lifetime of reading good literature.

Prior to her service with the public library, Mrs. Putney taught in the White Salmon schools where she was respected for her keen mind, enthusiasm, and high academic standards.

A wife, mother, musician, teacher, and librarian devoted to her family, church, and community—in these few words lies a lifetime of love and service.

After a long illness, Wesley Smith, 91, died November 3 in Seattle at his home. Mr. Smith was born in New York and came to Seattle in 1890. In 1895 he became city librarian and served until 1907. For twenty-seven years, Mr. Smith was an auditor for the State of Washington.

Mrs. Anna Jarvis, who has been librarian for the Davenport Public Library since its organization in 1927, passed away on August 29, 1956.



It is impossible to express in mere words Mrs. Jarvis' devotion to the library. Her kindness and helpfulness to young and old through the years will always be remembered by those who used the Davenport library. Each patron and every book became a personal friend and increased her devotion to her work.

As a church organist, an active Study Club member, along with library work, Mrs. Jarvis will be greatly missed in her community.

The many memorial books presented in her memory are indicative of the appreciation of those she has served for the past 29 years.

### LOST AND FOUND

*The Journal of Modern History*, March, 1956, has found its way to the Washington State Library. Is your copy missing?

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### PLACEMENT SERVICE

In an effort to expand the advisory placement service of the Washington State Library, positions open in the State of Washington for professional librarians will be listed free of charge as vacancies are reported to us.

It will be of great help if you will advise us immediately when you have a staff vacancy, giving full details concerning salary, sick leave, vacation time (whether cumulative), hours per work week, if pension is available, general duties and type of community in which library is located. The School of Librarianship, University of Washington, cooperates by forwarding information from its listing to the State Library.

When the position is filled, PLEASE NOTIFY US. A postcard will do it.

### JANUARY, 1957 VACANCIES

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| CHILDREN'S<br>LIBRARIAN | Camas Public Library, Washington.<br>Salary: \$4152 per annum.<br>Vacation: 2 weeks per annum.<br>Sick leave: 12 days per annum, cumulative to 90 days.<br>5-day, 40-hour week.<br>Contact Mr. Robert Iams, Librarian.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| BASE<br>LIBRARIAN       | Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington.<br>Salary: \$4525 per annum.<br>Position graded under Civil Service classification standards at Grade GS-7. Base is located approximately 13 miles west of city of Spokane. Qualifications are one year of administrative library experience, when the library system includes a branch and/or specialized deposit collection.<br>Contact Civilian Personnel Office, Fairchild Air Force Base, Fairchild, Washington. |
| BRANCH                  | Fort Lewis Library System, Washington.<br>Salary: \$3670 per annum.<br>Vacation: 13 working days first 3 years, 20 after 3 years.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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|                                          | Sick leave: 13 working days first 3 years, 20 after 3 years.<br>5-day, 40-hour week.<br>Government retirement plan and insurance plan.<br>Librarian in charge of branch library in regimental area.<br>Contact Marie J. Ginn, Chief Camp Librarian.                                                                                                                   |
| BOOKMOBILE<br>LIBRARY                    | Fort Vancouver Regional Library, Vancouver, Washington.<br>Salary: \$350 per month.<br>Children's work special interest.<br>Contact Miss Eva Santee, Librarian.                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| REFERENCE<br>LIBRARIAN                   | Hanford Engineering Works, Richland, Washington.<br>Salary: \$5400 per annum beginning.<br>Liberal personnel policies.<br>Technical background in chemistry, physics, mathematics and biology needed.<br>Contact Chris G. Stevenson, Head, Information Service, Technical Library, Richland, Washington.                                                              |
| CHILDREN'S<br>LIBRARIAN                  | Kitsap Regional Library, 612 Fifth Street, Bremerton, Washington.<br>Salary: \$3600 per annum.<br>5-day work week.<br>Medical and retirement plans available.<br>Contact Mrs. Evelyn T. Brown, Librarian.                                                                                                                                                             |
| CHILDREN'S<br>LIBRARIAN                  | Moses Lake Public Library, Moses Lake, Washington.<br>Salary: \$4,000 per annum. Open July 1, 1957.<br>Social security, optional medical plan.<br>Vacation: 2 weeks per annum.<br>Write Miss Shirley Hake, Librarian.                                                                                                                                                 |
| LIBRARIAN                                | Mount Vernon Public Library, Washington.<br>Salary: \$3300 per annum.<br>Vacation: 2 weeks per annum.<br>Sick leave: 12 working days per annum.<br>Contact Mrs. George Pedersen, Chairman, Board of Trustees.                                                                                                                                                         |
| REFERENCE<br>LIBRARIAN                   | College of Puget Sound Library, Tacoma, Washington.<br>Salary: \$3600 per annum.<br>Open January 1, 1957.<br>Contact Mr. Warren L. Perry, Librarian.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| CHILDREN'S<br>LIBRARIAN<br>(Open 3/1/57) | Regional Public Library, Olympia, Washington.<br>Salary: \$3600-\$4500 depending on experience.<br>Vacation: 4 weeks per annum.<br>Sick leave privileges.<br>In charge of children's service for Regional Public Library and includes bookmobile as well as city service.<br>Prefer applicant with 2 or more years of experience.<br>Contact Harry Newsom, Librarian. |



- LIBRARIAN** Pasco Public Library, Washington.  
Salary: \$4200 per annum.  
Vacation: 1 day for each month worked, after 6 months.  
Sick leave: 12 days per annum.  
5-day, 40-hour week.  
Contact Mrs. E. Herschel Kidwell, Chairman, Pasco Public Library Board, 910 South 10th, Pasco, Washington.
- BRANCH LIBRARIAN** Renton Public Library, Washington.  
Salary: \$3840 per annum with increase every six months.  
Vacation: 24 days per annum after one year.  
Sick leave: 12 days per annum.  
5-day, 40-hour week.  
Medical plan: Voluntary.  
Retirement plan: State and Social Security.  
To have charge of small branch 3 days a week and to assist at main library 2 days a week.  
Contact Mr. Alfred R. Kraig, Librarian.
- REFERENCE and CATALOG LIBRARIAN** Richland Public Library, Washington.  
Liberal personnel policies.  
Contact Doris Roberts, Librarian.
- BOOKMOBILE LIBRARIAN** Spokane Public Library, Spokane 4, Washington.  
Salary: \$4080-\$4992 per annum.  
Vacation: 3 weeks per annum.  
Sick leave: cumulative to 90 days.  
City retirement plan.  
Clerical assistant and driver for each of 2 bookmobiles.  
Contact Mrs. Gladys Puckett, Librarian.
- PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANT** Spokane Public Library, Spokane 4, Washington.  
Salary: \$3444-\$4248 per annum.  
Vacation: 2 weeks per annum.  
Sick leave: cumulative to 90 days.  
City retirement plan.  
Juvenile department.  
Contact Mrs. Gladys Puckett, Librarian.
- SCIENCE CATALOGUER and REFERENCE ASSISTANT also HUMANITIES CATALOGUER and REFERENCE ASSISTANT** State College of Washington Library, Pullman, Washington.  
Salary: \$3800 per annum minimum.  
Faculty rank and privileges, consideration for promotion in rank or salary, retirement plan, social security, sick leave, medical and hospital insurance plan.  
Vacation: 1 calendar month annually, legal holidays observed.  
This is a new functional, divisional library. Privilege of taking an academic course each semester, some college housing available for married personnel, college housing available for single personnel.  
Contact Mr. C. R. Armstrong, associate director of libraries, Pullman, Washington.

- STAFF LIBRARIAN** Veterans Administration Hospital Library, Walla Walla, Washington.  
Salary: \$4080-\$4890 per annum.  
Position is Civil Service GS-6  
Vacation and sick leave usual with federal service (including military).  
Library provides service for 407-bed VA hospital.  
Qualifications: A full 4-year course in an accredited college or university including or supplemented by 30-semester hours in library science; or one full year of professional library training in an accredited library school; or 4 years of progressive experience in library work; or any combination of experience and training equivalent to the above.  
Contact Chief, Personnel Division, VA Hospital, Walla Walla, Washington.
- POSITIONS** Tacoma Public Library, Washington. Write Mr. J. S. Ibbotson, Librarian, for information on current openings in this library.
- LIBRARIAN** Albany County Public Library, Laramie, Wyoming.  
Salary: \$300 per month.  
Sick leave: 18 days per annum.  
Vacation: 22 working days per annum.  
38-hour, 6-day work week.  
Contact Mrs. C. M. Stafford, Acting Librarian.

## LIBRARY NEWS BULLETIN CHANGES

### PAGE CORRECTIONS:

- April-June, 1956, p. 29: Steilacoom. Cross off footnotes; they do not apply.
- 36: King County. Non-professional Person should be 69.11 and the total in the "over 100,000 group" should be 342.36.
- 42: Pierce County. Registered Borrowers should be 8237.
- July-September, 1956, p 89: Miss Olive Krueger, Seattle Public Schools, is secretary of the Library School Alumni; Mrs. Viola Bird, University of Washington Library, the new treasurer.



## COLFAX

## Whitman County Library

Mrs. Harriett E. Scheldrup.....asst. in.  
Ray Alfred Tennyson.....asst. to in.  
Norris Bundy\*

## EVERETT

## Public Library

Mrs. Hazel E. Clark.....asst. ref. in.  
Miss Clara Barnes\*

## KETTLE FALLS

## Club Library

Mrs. Z. A. Carson Jr.....in.

## MONTESANO

## Grays Harbor County Library

Mrs. John Greer.....sr. ast. in.

## MOUNT VERNON

## Public Library

Mrs. Alice Piper.....resigned

## OLYMPIA—Regional Public Library

George Magladry.....asst. in.  
Miss Janice Dohm.....child. in.  
Miss Lottie Ingram.....bk. proc. in.

## PASCO

## Public Library

Mrs. Lois Morse.....act. in.  
Johnnie Riner\*

## POMEROY

## Public Library

Mrs. Oletha Pottenger.....in.

## RENTON

## Public Library

Harris McClaskey.....asst. in.

## RICHLAND

## Public Library

Berniece Christiansen.....ref. in.

## SEATTLE

## Public Library

Miss Bernice Swigert.....resigned  
Miss Enid Miller.....1st asst. in., Univ. Br.  
Miss Jane Darrah.....supt., child. work  
Ruth H. Hamilton\*

## King County Library

Mrs. Ivan Corner.....Bothell Br.  
Mrs. Claude Piccioni\*  
Mrs. James Pattenaude...Richmond Beach  
Mrs. Edith Kolesar\*

## TACOMA

## Pierce County Library

Mrs. Fay Potter Hore.....ref. in.

## Public Library

Mrs. Mary R. Edson.....retiring  
Patricia Shannon.....hd. ex. dept.

## VANCOUVER

## Fort Vancouver Regional Library

Esther Allen.....child. in., resigned  
Alice Getty.....child. in.  
Mary Endsley.....bkmb. in.

## YAKIMA

## Yakima Valley Regional Library

Mae Shoenrock.....bkmb. in.

## NORTHWEST DISTRICT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Officers for 1956-1957 are:

President—Phillip Blodgett, Everett Public Library.

Vice President—John R. Siegwarth, West-view Elementary Library, Burlington.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Evelyn Bowen, Kitsap Regional Library, Bremerton.

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Officers for 1956-57 are:

President—Mrs. Alma S. Jacobs, Great Falls, Montana.

First Vice President—Dr. Carl Hintz, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon.

Second Vice President—Mrs. Virginia Walton, Helena, Montana.

Treasurer—Mrs. Roman Mostar, University of Washington, Seattle.

## SOUTHWEST LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Officers for 1956-57 are:

President—Mrs. Mary Stough, Centralia Public Library, Centralia.

Vice President—Mrs. Rosalie Spellman, Aberdeen Public Library, Aberdeen.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Marjorie Curtis, Pierce County Library, Tacoma.

## WASHINGTON STATE SCHOOL LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION

President—Paul Brincken, WSC Library, Pullman.

## BREMERTON

## Olympic Junior College

Elizabeth K. Burkhead.....asst. in.

## CITY, TOWN, COUNTY AND REGIONAL PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Camas Public Library Board: Dee Laird, ch.

Duvall Public Library Board: Mrs. H. E. Pfeffer, ch.; Mrs. A. J. Burgess, Bredenberg\*, Mrs. Martha Weber, Roetsciso-ender\*.

Ellensburg Public Library Board: H. J. Whitney, Fred L. Towne\*.

Ephrata Public Library Board: R. A. Milne, ch.; Dr. Calvin Sutherland\*, Rev. R. E. Pflueger.

Everett — Snohomish County Library Board: Lawrence V. Whitfield, 130 S. Kelsey, Monroe; Melvin Clausen\*.  
Kennewick — Mid-Columbia Library Board: Mrs. Grace Smith, resigned; Phill Hargreaves, resigned.

Moses Lake Library Board: James Strong, ch.; Mrs. Sager Larson, Robert Trask, Dr. Darell H. Larson, Randall W. Marney, F. R. Meacham\*, Henry Boyle\*.

Northport: (Northport Library Association): Elfreda Ames, president; Frieda Forcier, vice-president; Lorraine Christensen, secretary; Alice Matteson, treasurer; Frances Langdon, membership; Edith Hartbauer, publicity.

Olympia—Regional Public Library Board: J. W. Goodpaster, Hoodspott, Frank Guyer\*.

Oroville — Public Library Board: Muriel Turner, Hazel McMahan\*.

Othello Public Library Board: William McAnlis, ch.; LaVerne Brassard, Spooner\*, Vanoyne Van Austene, Johnson\*, B. J. Plant, Steele\*, Robert Shaw, Wood\*.

Puyallup Public Library Board: William Darm, resigned.

Tacoma-Pierce County Library Board: Mrs. Fred Rousseau, resigned; Gen. Harold C. Mandell, ch.; Mrs. Elmer Thieman, Route 1, Box 88, Buckley.

Vancouver—Ft. Vancouver Regional Library Board: Mrs. John Rieck, Battle Ground, R. S. Durkee\*.

Woodland Public Library Board: Gordon Hanley, James Carty\*.

\* Delete name from Directory.

## CALENDAR

December 25 .....Merry Christmas!

January 1, 1957.....Happy New Year!

January 14-March 14.....Washington State Legislature, Olympia

January 28 .....Association of American Library Schools, Chicago

January 29-February 2.....ALA Midwinter, Chicago

April 19-20 .....Pacific Northwest History Conference, Pullman



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