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**PUBLIC DOCUMENTS**

OF THE

**STATE OF MAINE**

BEING THE

**REPORTS**

OF THE VARIOUS

**PUBLIC OFFICERS  
DEPARTMENTS AND  
INSTITUTIONS**

FOR THE TWO YEARS

**JULY 1, 1924-JUNE 30, 1926**

STATE OF MAINE

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Thirty-Eighth Report

OF THE

Librarian

OF THE

Maine State Library

FOR THE PERIOD

July 1, 1924 to June 30, 1926

TO THE

EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

1927



HENRY E. DUNNACK, Librarian

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AUGUSTA, MAINE

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Augusta, Maine, July 1, 1926.

*To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of  
Maine:*

Gentlemen:

The Maine State Library presents herewith its thirty-eighth report covering the period from July 1, 1924 to June 30, 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY E. DUNNACK,

*Librarian.*

Education liberates the mind. People who think, live. The materials for thinking are found in experience, nature and books. Books rule the world. In books the masters live and in their presence falsehood and superstitions lose their power. The library is the center of all educational systems, the foundation of constitutional government, of economic success, and social justice.

### EARLY PROGRESS

Maine has had libraries from early colonial times—they have evolved here, as elsewhere, from the parish, club, and association library to the free public library of today. In fact, we may be proud that Maine in 1854 was the third in the United States to adopt a free library law. Well toward the front have we stood on those notable steps of library progress—the grant of state aid in the establishment and maintenance of free public libraries, and the inauguration of a traveling library system. In the early days the chief purpose of the state library was to furnish reference books for the state departments, officials, legislature and the courts. The policy gradually changed until all kinds of literature were circulated and the service was extended to all citizens.

## THE LIBRARY AND THE NEWSPAPER

In one important thing we are fortunate, all people are becoming readers. The newspaper in the past three decades, has raised the number of those in this country who make use of print for recreation and information to many millions. And every day the newspaper gathers more and prints more of all that touches life. In their magazine departments they publish the novels, essays, poems, dramas, histories and biographies of the best writers.

The newspapers are our educational salvation, for they enable us to acquire, in the simplest and quickest way, a little of the vast mass of information which the world's web of wires, reticulation of rails and fleets of ocean ferries will daily bring us. Of all outside agencies it is the newspaper which helps to make the library known. I do not need to enlarge on their almost universal sympathy for the work of the library, their unfailing courtesy toward it, their readiness to print material in regard to it.

## THE LIBRARY AND EDUCATION

The library and the laboratory have already practically revolutionized the methods of higher education. In the really modern university, the chief building is the library. . . . The Library, fifty years ago unknown, has become today the center of the institution's intellectual activity. The Library specializes in books dealing with every subject by which our people earn a living. Through its agencies the farmer goes to agricultural college, the housewife to the school of household economics, the bookkeeper to the college of business administration, the road maker to the engineering school. In fact, every man and woman of the State is kept in touch with the efficient way to do things, and through its agency the last and most worth while ideas about everything in the industrial and commercial world is taken to every shop, home and man in Maine.



## WORK DONE BY THE STATE LIBRARY

The general reference bureau supplies information on all subjects. Within the last few years the work of this department has increased enormously as the residents of the state have come to realize that anyone in Maine is entitled to use the library, not only for purposes of general culture, but also for assistance in reference work. Daily this department receives and answers requests for information on a wide range of subjects. This department has no modern fiction but at the disposal of its patrons are books on masonry, carpentry, heating, painting, accounting, salesmanship, literature, journalism, psychology, religion, political science, law, education, commerce, science, medicine, engineering, agriculture, manufacturing, building, architecture, travels, biography, the domestic arts, and history.

Whatever a patron's interests may be, the library is equipped to supply books along that line, and it is also ready to furnish information on subjects for club papers, school essays, college theses, debates, etc., thereby supplementing the resources of local libraries and high schools and bringing to the most remote portions of the state the advantages and facilities of an up-to-date reference library. Most residents of rural districts are familiar with shopping by mail, but only a few states can boast a mail order service in reference libraries, issuing books one, two or three at a time to any individual who wishes them.

Owing to the fact that there are almost daily additions to the library, it is not feasible to publish a catalog, but on request a list of books on any subject in which a patron is interested will be prepared.

## LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

The legislative reference bureau has special charge of the law section and is in touch with all the lawyers in the state. Further, through this bureau every member of the legislature has placed at his disposal the latest information on any subject in which he may be interested. To make this work possible, it is necessary to collect, digest and

index many periodicals, reports, pamphlets and books, and all research work must be done between sessions, as during the sessions the entire time of at least three members of the staff is spent in the actual serving of the legislators. Among the most important features of this work are the collection, arrangement, and filing of material on public questions, as the latest information is rarely, if ever, available in book form, and the so-called "ephemeral" literature of the day contains matter too valuable to be thrown away.

### THE INDUSTRIAL BUREAU

The industrial bureau specializes in books dealing with the subjects by which Maine people earn a living. Through its agencies the farmer goes to agricultural college, the housewife to the school of household economics, the book-keeper to the college of business administration, the road maker to the engineering school.

The state library is equipped with material useful to industrial workers: books and pamphlets descriptive of the industrial processes, biographies of industrial leaders, trade publications, technical journals and articles which will interest tradesmen. In a word, the library gives attention to literature on vocational work. More than six thousand vocational books were sent out in 1925-26.

### HISTORICAL BUREAU

The historical bureau has charge of all matters relating to the history of the state, counties and towns, as well as all state reports. All state documents and reports are distributed by this bureau. The bureau interests itself in all local historical work, advises about writing local histories, vital statistics and genealogies. In 1925-26 this department sent to patrons by parcel post more than four thousand volumes dealing with history.

### BUREAU OF LIBRARY EXTENSION

The Bureau of Library Extension carries the library work to the local communities through

**TRAVELING LIBRARIES.** Collections of books of every description, carefully selected and widely advertised, are sent to the remotest corners of the state to provide reading for recreational, inspirational and educational purposes. Seven hundred sets were sent out in 1925-26, approximately twenty-five thousand volumes. A library of fifty volumes costs only \$2.50.

**SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.** These schools are conducted in designated sections of the state each year and consist of informal lectures, conference and actual practice work. Two of these schools were conducted this year with an attendance of forty librarians and trustees at each.

**CORRESPONDENCE COURSES.** Correspondence courses in library work are offered to a limited number of library workers each year. These courses include among other requirements, attendance at state association meetings, a school of instruction, and at least one week at the State Library working under supervision in the various departments. There are twenty-seven library workers actively engaged in this course and several on the waiting list for entrance.

**SUMMER READING.** This privilege is extended to the children in the public schools through the public library or some organization willing to assume the direction where there is no library. Children completing this course receive a certificate from the State Library. Over thirty children followed this course during the summer of 1926.

**LIBRARY PRACTICE AND TRAINING.** Opportunity is offered to a limited number for work in the various departments of the state library under supervision. Five persons have availed themselves of this opportunity during the past year.

**STATE AID.** Financial aid is given in the form of an annual stipend to free public libraries and in the form of a founding fund to newly established libraries. Nearly

twelve thousand five hundred dollars was paid to such libraries this year.

**ILLUSTRATED JUVENILE EDITIONS.** Illustrated editions of Juvenile books are lent to libraries for exhibit purposes during Children's Book Weeks and on such special occasions. Nearly two hundred such volumes are available for these occasions.

**LIBRARY BUILDINGS.** This office offers to consult with trustees and architects about Library building plans and equipment. Twelve such libraries have taken advantage of this offer this year.

**NEW LIBRARIES.** New libraries may receive suggestions on organization, purchase of supplies, equipment, securing library workers, book selection, etc.

**MISCELLANEOUS.** Established libraries may write for information regarding problems of classification and cataloguing of individual books, salary schedules, book selection, publicity aids, story hour helps, book talks, etc.

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

**MOSHER COLLECTION.** Two collections in the library are worthy of special note—The Mosher books and the Maine Author Collection. For thirty-two years Thomas Bird Mosher published in Portland reprints of "poetry and prose for book lovers, chosen from scarce editions and sources not generally known." Two complete sets of these publications are in the library, remarkable evidence of one Maine man's discrimination not only in selection of content, but of paper, typography, press work and binding.

**MAINE AUTHOR COLLECTION.** The Maine Author Collection is a new venture for the library, but already three hundred books have been obtained and all native-born sons and daughters of Maine are invited to send autographed copies of their works to make this collection as complete as possible.

There are five hundred twenty municipalities in the state, and one hundred thirty-five of these support free public libraries from taxation funds and some of these one hundred thirty-five are unable to serve their communities adequately. If the people of Maine are to have library service the state library must give it to them, and if they are to survive in this modern civilization, they must have information and inspiration. Books are the tools of every craft—for the mechanic and laborer as well as for the student and scholar. Today as never before is it true that knowledge is power.

### STUDENTS AND LIBRARY

Among the new things in education is the important place the library is taking. In Maine all the colleges and many of the high schools are giving some instruction in the use of the Library. The real need at this time is instruction in the upper grades and in the high schools on how to find information.

Frank E. Barrows, a prominent New York lawyer, says: Let us suppose that a man of education and intelligence but who has not been fortunate enough to learn much about libraries, wants to find out what information a library contains along a special line. He can go to a library and get a librarian to help him, but if he looks for books to tell him about libraries, to tell him about the special field that he is interested in and how to find out what information is available in that field, he will find very little to help him. There are quite a number of elementary books on the use of libraries—I mean books intended for public libraries, for normal school teachers, etc., that tell you about library classification and general reference works, and give you a general idea of what a library is. But we find very little is being done in teaching college students about libraries—things that they ought to know about libraries to help them in their work after they graduate; and if you go to special college courses, along special lines, such as technical and scientific lines, you find very little indeed is being done along this line.

The surprising thing is that it is possible for a boy to go through the grades, high school and college and get an education without learning something about a library, and how to use it to help in his work. He learns in his college course the general principles of his specialty, but he can learn only a little of the vast amount of information which there is in the written literature on the subject. Why should he not be taught something about this larger aspect of his specialty, something about the general field of the literature along the line of his specialty?—how to make use of that information and if he is not in a position to get it himself, how to ascertain who can help him get it,—in other words, the special librarian?

In this connection, I would like to quote a letter from Miss R. B. Rankin, President of our New York Special Libraries Association: "Many users of libraries are much handicapped on account of this lack of training. Even in college and university courses students are not trained to use technical books. Naturally it is quite difficult for the librarians to overcome this lack of training on the part of the university. I have done library work in universities and normal schools and in each place have been much struck by the woeful lack of such training and have made special efforts to overcome it."

#### DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL LIBRARIES

All this emphasizes the fact that the time has come when library science, or how to find information, is an important and even a necessary part of every educational system and every successful business administration. These conclusions, opinions and facts suggest that the time has come for the state to take some action that will relate the children of the state to the best books in literature, science and business. Therefore, I advise adding to the Library Staff a director of school libraries. This director must be a trained librarian, who will visit the libraries and teach the librarians in the small libraries how to serve their community through helping the school teachers and training the pupils to use the library.

If we are to adequately train our young people for life we must start farther back than with the girls and boys of the high school. If the librarian sends out to the grades, from the sixth up, groups of interesting books, the children begin to feel that the library is really theirs, and they become eager to use it. If it is possible to have the individual child return the books after he has read them, it will cultivate a familiarity with the workings of the library and a friendship with the librarian which will be a great help when these same children enter the high school. There will always be one place where they know what to do.

There is special need of interesting the teachers of the rural schools in the use of the library. We need their hearty co-operation. If the teachers are able to show a familiarity with the books in the library it will do much toward making the library popular with the school.

No doubt there should be a library in every school building. This is recognized and provided for in all modern high schools, and the day will come when this will be true of grade school buildings. Until that day arrives, there is no reason why the state should not make temporary provisions through the state library.

## DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL LIBRARIES

The duties of the director of school libraries should include the following:

- (1) Outlining aims, plans, and policies for more and better school libraries.
- (2) Addresses at teachers' and community meetings.
- (3) Publication of bulletins of information giving expert advice in the various problems of organizing a library.
- (4) Publication of lists of books suitable for purchase and for guidance in general reading.
- (5) Securing of data through questionnaires upon which to base recommendations, advice and suggestions.
- (6) Planning courses of instruction in the use of books and libraries.

- (7) Correlating aims and plans for more and better library service with the various agencies of the state department of education and the state library.
- (8) To give information and assist in organizing school libraries in the grades and high school.
- (9) To bring the local libraries into active relations with the public school.
- (10) Teaching librarians and teachers how they may co-operate in making local libraries serve as school libraries.

There is on the staff of the Bangor Public Library one person who devotes all her time to school and hospital library work. Mr. Boyd, the Librarian, informs me that this work has been a decided success. Until this or some other plan is developed, the state library should be able to organize the work in the schools on the request and through the aid of the superintendent, principals and teachers. There can be no justification or excuse for sending children out of the school system without some knowledge in regard to the way of using the libraries in the state.

#### VALUE OF LIBRARY TO THE YOUTH

There are certain important steps that need to be taken in training children to love to read that which is worth while:

- (1) They must be given books to read that they can read with pleasure in order to form the reading habit.
- (2) They must be trained to form the habit of reading for information. This can be done through providing attractive books of travel to read in connection with the study of geography; interesting biographies and historical stories in connection with the study of history; other interesting books in connection with the study of geography, history, science, English and other subjects taught in school.
- (3) They should read books of an inspirational character, books calculated to make them begin to



think what they are to do in life, and to arouse in them a desire to make the most and the best of themselves.

The books which we read develop and influence character as much as the companions with whom we associate. No school, therefore, discharges its obligation to its pupils and the public which does not inculcate in its students this ambition to associate with the most uplifting factors in civilization—good books.

I wish, therefore, to make an urgent appeal to the school authorities of each school in the state, constantly to improve the libraries which have already been established and to begin the foundations for new libraries in those schools in which libraries have not yet been organized.

### ACCESSIONS

The table which follows shows the number of items added to the library for the periods July 1, 1924 to June 30, 1925 and July 1, 1925 to June 30, 1926, with totals for the two-year period.

(Biennial period, July 1, 1924-June 30, 1926.)

By purchase	Bound	Unbound	Total
1924-25	1291	148	1439
1925-26	1346	178	1524
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	2637	326	2963
By exchange			
1924-25	555	1472	2027
1925-26	552	1016	1568
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	1107	2488	3595
By gift			
1924-25	89	227	316
1925-26	64	125	189
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	153	352	505
From U. S. Gov't			
1924-25	173	1781	1954
1925-26	162	1853	2015
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	335	3634	3969
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Total accessions	4232	6800	11032

## CIRCULATION

The detailed record which follows shows that the number of books lent for the year 1924-25 was 22,094 and for the year 1925-26 it was 25,059. The total, therefore, for the two years was 47,153, an increase over the preceding biennial period of 3,137.

The class which had the largest circulation was sociology which includes books on government, education, marketing and commerce.

## CIRCULATION RECORD

1924-25 July 1, 1924- June 30, 1925	General Works	Philos- ophy	Reli- gion	Sociol- ogy	Lan- guage	Science	Useful Arts	Fine Arts	Liter- ature	History	Travel	Biog- raphy	Period- icals	Total
July	23	59	32	144	4	77	136	83	220	79	66	95	308	1326
August	50	61	41	119	7	52	118	79	180	88	80	113	251	1239
September	46	41	25	215	10	44	132	74	184	95	60	81	325	1332
October	111	55	46	219	10	44	146	77	210	84	94	118	377	1591
November	109	52	39	345	22	75	168	140	281	95	135	129	363	1953
December	76	50	22	279	3	173	144	103	247	125	98	161	442	1923
January	138	78	36	442	11	69	228	121	329	170	130	216	557	2525
February	108	69	47	393	13	62	169	104	352	145	120	264	499	2345
March	96	75	62	572	9	64	199	107	393	168	185	214	447	2591
April	135	51	39	397	13	70	181	77	310	212	187	216	380	2268
May	110	75	23	223	6	50	140	53	276	134	97	126	315	1628
June	33	35	28	170	7	62	125	91	183	123	97	98	321	1373
Total	1035	701	440	3518	115	842	1886	1109	3165	1518	1349	1831	4585	22094

## CIRCULATION RECORD

1925-26 July 1, 1925- June 30, 1926	General Works	Philos- ophy	Reli- gion	Sociol- ogy	Lan- guage	Science	Useful Arts	Fine Arts	Liter- ature	History	Travel	Biog- raphy	Period- icals	Total
July	46	56	25	203	15	66	123	72	191	157	81	151	290	1476
August	45	39	30	149	36	41	140	98	216	107	70	127	300	1398
September	66	34	36	142	19	38	143	110	221	86	66	112	298	1371
October	80	59	52	175	13	70	168	116	267	157	131	119	433	1840
November	84	68	41	246	8	63	161	117	222	151	168	199	418	1946
December	87	89	38	426	7	105	257	163	390	163	175	257	637	2794
January	91	70	25	423	7	87	256	151	392	153	175	245	578	2653
February	60	75	25	360	28	99	227	174	384	200	214	252	496	2594
March	137	130	39	430	15	85	238	211	459	267	187	267	469	2934
April	118	110	52	404	9	97	267	140	352	211	117	213	413	2503
May	102	54	51	268	8	82	252	99	264	136	101	160	359	1936
June	70	47	59	222	9	39	107	105	224	124	90	128	390	1614
Total	986	831	473	3448	174	872	2339	1556	3582	1912	1575	2230	5081	25059

## SHIPPING

There were shipped to and from the Library during the year 1924-25, by mail or express, 16,960 parcels, 98 films and 1358 traveling libraries; and during the year 1925-26 there were 21,958 parcels, 70 films and 1400 traveling libraries.

In addition to mail and express shipments there were about 2,000 state publications distributed personally to members of the legislature, government officials and private individuals.

A total of 47,153 packages were handled by the shipping clerk during the biennium—an average of 73 each working day, or one every six minutes.

## ADVERTISING

Exhibits of books and posters were made at the annual meetings of the Maine Teachers Association in 1924 and in 1925. Members of the staff were in attendance to answer questions and distribute printed information about the resources of the Library. A display of books was also made at the Helping Teachers' Conference in Castine during the summer session of 1925.

## LOCALITIES SERVED

During the year 1924-25 individual loans were made to 402 different localities and during the year 1925-26 to 404 different localities.

The records show that there were 109 localities served in 1925-26 which were not served in 1924-25. Adding the 295 localities which were served both years, we find that there were 511 different localities served during the biennial period covered by this report.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

July 1, 1924—June 30, 1925.

## MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$8,500 00
Credit by postage and other refunds		315 31
Expenditures	\$8,279 75	
Unexpended balance	535 56	
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	\$8,815 31	\$8,815 31

## TRAVELING LIBRARIES

Appropriation		\$6,500 00
Credit by refunds		1,309 07
Expenditures	7,789 46	
Unexpended balance	19 61	
		<hr/>
	\$7,809 07	\$7,809 07

## BINDING PUBLIC DOCUMENTS

Appropriation		\$400 00
Expenditures	\$150 00	
Unexpended balance	250 00	
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	\$400 00	\$400 00

## DONATIONS FOR FOUNDING FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Appropriation		\$200 00
Expenditures	\$200 00	
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	\$200 00	\$200 00

## PUBLICATION OF ANCIENT VITAL STATISTICS

Appropriation		\$1,500 00
Expenditures	\$1,500 00	
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	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

## SALARIES AND CLERK HIRE

Appropriation		\$16,000 00
Expenditures	\$15,439 81	
Unexpended balance	560 19	
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	\$16,000 00	\$16,000 00

## STIPEND FOR FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Appropriation		\$10,500 00
Credit by transfer from contingent fund		1,050 58
Expenditures	\$11,285 87	
Unexpended balance	264 71	
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	\$11,550 58	\$11,550 58

## REPORTS OF JUDICIAL DECISIONS

Credit by Council Order from Contingent Fund		\$2,420 00
Expenditures	\$2,420 00	
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	\$2,420 00	\$2,420 00

## CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Order Jan. 15, 1925

Credit Limit		\$400 00
Expenditures	\$300 00	
Unexpended balance	100 00	
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	\$400 00	\$400 00

## CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Order Jan. 7, 1925

Credit Limit		\$1,070 00
Expenditures	\$1,042 00	
Unexpended balance	28 00	
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	\$1,070 00	\$1,070 00

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

July 1, 1925—June 30, 1926

## MAINTENANCE

Appropriation		\$8,500 00
Credit by postage and other refunds		448 93
Expenditures	\$8,671 76	
Unexpended balance	277 17	
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	\$8,948 93	\$8,948 93

## TRAVELING LIBRARIES

Appropriation		\$6,500 00
Credit by refunds		1,445 80
Expenditures	\$7,094 37	
Unexpended balance	851 43	
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	\$7,945 80	\$7,945 80

## PUBLICATION OF ANCIENT VITAL STATISTICS

Appropriation		\$1,000 00
Expenditures	\$1,000 00	
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	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00

## SALARIES AND CLERK HIRE

Appropriation		\$16,000 00
Expenditures	\$15,258 51	
Transfer to appropriation for Re- ports of Judicial Decisions	19 00	
Unexpended balance	722 49	
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	\$16,000 00	\$16,000 00

## STIPEND FOR FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Appropriation		\$12,000 00
Expenditures	11,982 99	

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Unexpended balance	17 01	
		\$12,000 00 \$12,000 00

(Note: Towns with public libraries were paid a stipend of 9 7/8 %, because the appropriation was not large enough to permit paying 10% as in former years.)

## REPORTS OF JUDICIAL DECISIONS

Appropriation		\$2,400 00
Transfer from appropriation for salary and clerk hire		19 00
Expenditures	\$2,419 00	
	\$2,419 00	\$2,419 00

## DONATIONS FOR FOUNDING FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Appropriation		\$100 00
Expenditures	\$99 88	
Unexpended balance	12	
	\$100 00	\$100 00

## MAINE STATE BAR ASSOCIATION BOOK

Appropriation		\$500 00
Expenditures	\$500 00	
	\$500 00	\$500 00



## HISTORY OF TOWN OF DRESDEN

Appropriation		\$500 00
Unexpended balance	\$500 00	
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	\$500 00	\$500 00

## MUSIC AND MUSICIANS OF MAINE

Appropriation		\$500 00
Unexpended balance	\$500 00	
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	\$500 00	\$500 00

## HISTORY OF TOWN OF WINTHROP

Appropriation		\$490 00
Expenditures	\$490 00	
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	\$490 00	\$490 00

## HISTORY OF TOWN OF LEE

Appropriation		\$450 00
Expenditures	\$450 00	
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	\$450 00	\$450 00

## HISTORY OF AROOSTOOK

Appropriation		\$455 00
Expenditures	\$455 00	
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	\$455 00	\$455 00

## AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF ELIZABETH OAKES SMITH

Appropriation		\$450 00
Expenditures	\$450 00	
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	\$450 00	\$450 00

## STATE PUBLICATIONS

July 1, 1924—June 30, 1926

Name	Year	No. Rec'd
Agriculture	1922-1924	250
Assessors	1923-1924	325
Auditor	1922-1924	300
Bank Commissioner	1924	50

Charities and Corrections	1924	300
Constitution of Maine	1925	5,000
Forest Commissioner	1923-24	300
Highway	1923-24	250
History of Aroostook		130
History of Winthrop		70
Inland fish and game	1924	250
Labor and Industry	1921-1924	250
House Journals	1925	200
Laws of 1925		1630
Laws in pamphlet form		500
Legislative Record	1925	360
Library	1923-24	1,000
Maine State Bar Association		
Vol. 24, 1925	1925	286
Maine Forts		2488
Public Documents	1922-24	50
Public Utilities Comm.	1923-24	300
School	1924	300
Sea and Shore Fisheries	1924	300
Elizabeth Oakes Smith Auto- biography		149
Treasurer	1924	300
Hallowell Vital Records, Vol. 1 and 2		1,000
Maine Reports, Vol. 123		825
Maine Reports, Vol. 124		800
Publicity placards and folders		25,000

### STATE AID

Annually, according to law, there is paid a sum of money for the purchase of books for the public library to each town appropriating money from taxation funds for free public library purposes.

Last year nearly twelve thousand five hundred dollars was paid to libraries in this manner. Following is a table giving amounts so paid and other statistical information of general interest.

MAINE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES RECEIVING STATE AID, 1924 (Based on 1923 Town Appropriations)

LOCATION	NAME	LIBRARIAN	Population	Volumes	Circulation	Stipend
Acton.....	A. Public.....	Mrs. Annie B. Sanborn.....	499	835	no rec.	\$5.00
Alfred.....	Parsons Memorial.....	Mary C. Emerson.....	738	8,979	6,092	25.00
Andover.....	A. Public.....	Annie M. Akers.....	767	no rec.	5,230	20.00
Anson (North).....	Stewart Public.....	Mrs. Helen Isbell.....	2,563	3,385	1,271	40.00
Auburn.....	A. Public.....	Georgiana Lunt.....	16,985	24,962	75,972	500.00
Augusta.....	Lithgow.....	Elizabeth M. Andrews.....	14,114	15,000	31,303	200.00
Baileyville (P. O. Woodland).....	Woodland Library.....	Mrs. W. H. Stewart.....	2,243	2,531	8,327	70.00
Bangor.....	B. Public.....	Elmar T. Boyd.....	25,978	90,427	146,548	500.00
Bar Harbor.....	Jesup Memorial.....	Inez Suminsbey.....	3,622	14,000	17,111	50.00
Bath.....	Patten Free.....	Margaret R. Foote.....	14,731	26,224	34,268	300.00
Bethel.....	B. Library.....	Mrs. Maud L. Thurston.....	1,792	5,658	7,416	40.00
Biddeford.....	Public.....	Emma Hatch.....	18,008	20,820	47,082	350.00
Boothbay Harb.....	B. H. Public.....	Mrs. Allie L. Orne.....	2,025	4,832	17,930	60.00
Bradford.....	J. B. Curtis.....	Mrs. Annie M. Salley.....	738	1,695	4,570	5.56
Brewer.....	Free Public.....	Frances H. Aiken.....	6,064	5,948	16,697	120.00
Brunswick.....	Curtis Memorial.....	Mary G. Gilman.....	7,261	17,600	31,743	180.00
Buckfield.....	Zadoc Long.....	Mrs. Minerva E. Allen.....	957	6,000	2,518	24.98
Calais.....	C. Free Library.....	Bertha E. Boyd.....	6,084	13,027	16,444	143.39
Camden.....	C. Public.....	Doris B. Ogier.....	3,403	10,000	9,847	120.00
Canaan.....	Prescott Free.....	Clarence Hilton.....	822	1,985	3,598	17.50
Cape Elizabeth.....	Thomas Memorial.....	Eva F. Brown.....	1,534	2,578	1,500	25.00
Caribou.....	C. Public.....	Mrs. Ada M. Britton.....	6,018	9,618	46,070	200.00
Castine.....	Witherie Mem.....	Katherine Davenport.....	743	6,282	5,641	43.20
Charleston.....	C. Public.....	Marguerite E. Ames.....	720	91	944	9.92
Cherryfield.....	C. Public.....	Ida E. Wakefield.....	1,100	no rec.	no rec.	5.00
Clinton.....	Brown Memorial.....	Mrs. L. M. McNally.....	1,230	4,192	4,554	25.00
Corinna.....	Stewart Free.....	Mrs. Edna A. Hutchins.....	1,394	14,658	11,463	5.00
Damariscotta.....	Skidompha Free.....	Sophia M. Lee, Acting.....	849	2,725	no rec.	20.00
Dennysville.....	Lincoln Memorial.....	Jennie W. Kilby.....	434	3,893	2,231	12.87
Dexter.....	D. Town Library.....	Lizzie S. Springall.....	4,113	14,695	27,187	250.00
Dixfield.....	D. Public.....	Ada L. Hammons.....	1,134	no rec.	no rec.	30.00
Dover-Foxcroft.....	Thompson Free.....	Mary E. Averill.....	3,150	12,045	3,237	175.00
East Livermore (P. O. Livermore Falls).....	Livermore Falls Library Association.....	Cora M. Wyman.....	2,636	4,833	22,838	100.00
Eastport.....	Peavey Memorial.....	Maude M. Bogrette.....	4,494	13,640	14,602	80.00
Eliot.....	M. Louise Foye.....	William Fogg Library.....	1,530	9,300	9,877	30.00
Ellsworth.....	City Library.....	Mary A. Hodgkins.....	3,058	7,400	no rec.	100.00
Fairfield.....	Lawrence Library.....	Mrs. Alice S. Totman.....	1,240	9,877	15,638	175.00
Farmington.....	Public.....	Rena H. Adams.....	3,197	18,785	35,000	150.00
Ft. Fairfield.....	Free Public.....	Mrs. Kate K. Estes.....	4,551	5,000	16,042	247.20
Freeport.....	B. H. Bartol.....	Annette H. Aldrich.....	2,488	5,561	4,350	80.00
Friendship.....	F. Public.....	Mrs. Nellie Sylvester.....	696	1,850	1,196	12.50

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Gardiner	G. Public	Martha S. Bartlett	5,475	11,960	34,788	193.00
Gorham	Baxter Memorial	Victoria A. Magnusson	2,870	11,831	17,434	160.40
Gray	Stimson Memorial	Helen H. Merrill	1,139	2,003	3,000	4.35
Greenville	Free Public	Mrs. Nora Brown	1,550	3,828	11,539	50.00
Guilford	G. Memorial	Ernestine Hale	1,687	6,389	9,745	75.00
Hallowell	Hubbard Free	Miss Annie F. Page	2,764	14,000	13,480	25.00
Harrison	Caswell Public	Josephine P. Ricker	901	2,764	4,659	20.00
Hartland	Free	Mrs. Mary Costan Smith	1,140	4,059	9,669	30.00
Hiram (East)	Soldier's Memorial	Supplied	837	2,000	no rec.	10.00
Hollis Center	Public	Ruth Tarbox	1,092	1,940	2,501	5.00
Howland	Thomas Free	Annie Colbath	724	1,220	4,680	43.64
Islesboro	Free	Leona Williams	637	3,900	no rec.	53.23
Jackman	J. Public	Evelyn C. Doughty	902	3,010	no rec.	10.00
Jay (North)	Niles Memorial	Mrs. Iola M. Jewett	3,152	1,507	3,130	50.00
Jonesboro	J. Public	Earle Bridgham	461	925	no rec.	5.00
Jonesport	Peabody Memorial	Mrs. D. D. Kelley	2,129	1,900	7,236	50.00
Kenduskeag	Case Memorial	Mrs. Nellie L. Nason	451	1,131	no rec.	2.50
Kennebunk	K. Free Library	Mrs. Mary R. M. Ross	3,138	9,906	20,113	50.00
Kennebunkport	Louis T. Graves Memorial	Mrs. Agnes V. McCartney	1,431	6,002	10,080	40.00
Lewiston	L. Public	Annie L. Barr	31,791	28,867	75,496	500.00
Limestone	L. Public	Mrs. Cora Sharpe	1,506	2,200	500	30.00
Limington	Davis Memorial	Sadie M. Brackett	803	2,288	2,627	20.89
Lincoln	Public	Mrs. Emma Stevens	2,452	3,250	no rec.	24.51
Machias	Porter Memorial	Mrs. Lucy Crocker	2,152	6,000	6,852	50.00
Madison	M. Public	Mrs. Emma F. Clark	3,700	6,125	24,502	160.00
Mechanic Falls	M. Falls Library	Kate L. Denison	1,614	4,143	no rec.	40.00
Millinocket	M. Memorial	Carl W. Hull	4,528	no rec.	no rec.	323.40
Milo	Free Public	Mrs. Florence Cotter	2,894	4,071	20,872	110.00
Monmouth	Cumston Public	Mrs. Carolyn P. Sherman	1,372	4,500	5,234	20.00
Monson	Free Public	Madeline LeClaire	1,079	1,660	3,200	5.00
Moose River	(Appropriates for use of Jackman Library)					5.00
New Gloucester	Public Library	Mrs. Louise E. True	1,384	7,146	3,500	47.25
New Sharon	Public	Mrs. F. P. Caswell	885	2,553	3,145	10.35
Newcastle	(Appropriates for use of Damariscotta Library)					20.00
Newport	Public Library	Myrtle F. Day	1,709	3,329	11,540	25.00
Norridgewock	Free Public	Mrs. Elmer E. Whiting	1,532	4,671	4,243	23.04
North Haven	N. H. Library, Inc.	Mrs. M. B. Smith	510	no rec.	no rec.	12.40
Norway	N. Public	Helen H. Holmes	2,969	5,460	16,020	80.00
Oakland	O. Public	Helen A. Smiley	2,473	4,500	28,000	150.00
Old Orchard	Free Public	Clara M. Yates	1,164	7,365	7,544	40.00
Old Town	O. T. Public	Amy S. Wood	6,956	7,651	18,495	224.86
Orono	W. C. T. U. Library	E. F. Hitchings	3,133	3,050	6,926	65.00

Oxford	Freeland Holmes	Mrs. Kate Starbird	1,097	4,794	no rec.	22.50
Palmyra	Palmyra Public	Lewis W. Frost	824	846	1,210	5.00
Paris (South)	S. P. Public	Mrs. Ella A. Wight	3,656	5,000	15,821	50.00
Parsonsfield	No. P. Public	Mrs. Florence E. Garland	1,062	996	775	15.00, whole town
Parsonsfield (P. O. Kezar Falls)	P. Public	Mrs. Clara M. Lord	1,062	4,903	1,651	
Parsonsfield (P. O. Limerick)	Public Library	Mae Knowlton	354	3,200	3,288	20.20
Passadumkeag	W. C. T. U.	Mrs. Nora Palmer	1,498	1,802	7,596	25.00
Patten	Public	Bertha Boston	1,353	6,148	9,850	45.00
Phillips	Public	Minnie Porter	2,700	8,392	20,410	202.60
Pittsfield	Public	Alice C. Furbish	69,272	83,339	140,793	500.00
Portland	Free	Lucinda B. Marston	5,581	7,171	21,787	160.00
Presque Isle	Public	Geneva B. Amber	1,028	8,160	14,399	76.00
Rangeley	Crocker Free	H. S. Raymond	383	2,322	1,248	8.00
Ripley	R. Public	Kathleen M. Snow	8,109	12,516	42,328	487.20
Rockland	R. Public	Mrs. Katherine M. Dunbar	1,774	3,430	15,806	40.00
Rockport	R. Public	Grace H. Hall	8,576	6,500	26,639	350.00
Rumford	Sanford Public	Bentley Aveyard	10,691	6,700	15,438	80.00
Sanford	Springvale Public	Mrs. Angie H. Gile	10,691	3,000	19,500	50.00
Sanford (P. O. Springvale)	Carver Memorial	Mildred E. Shute	1,373	3,700	4,637	35.00
Searsport	Free Public	Lizzie T. Hussey	5,981	16,700	35,254	150.00
Skowhegan	S. Public	Mrs. Leonora E. Ray	1,054	no rec.	7,590	10.00
Solon	Fogg Memorial	John H. Goodwin	2,955	8,876	9,388	10.00
South Berwick	So. W. Harbor Library	Mrs. O. W. Cousins	824	4,625	no rec.	10.00
Southwest Harbor	Manset and Seawall	Cynthia B. Stanley	824	800	no rec.	10.00
Southwest Harbor (P. O. Manset)	S. Public	Mrs. Lottie Wesley	427	2,000	3,848	9.15
Stetson	S. Public	Fannie W. Crocket	1,353	1,553	5,027	25.00
Stonington	T. Public	Ella Gilchreest	2,019	7,983	8,743	15.00
Thomaston	U. Public	Malvena C. Abbott	123	774	no rec.	6.29
Upton	Free	Mrs. L. P. Cates	1,936	2,406	2,353	20.00
Vassalboro (E.)	V. Public	Linda A. Jones	1,965	5,600	11,199	50.00
Vinalhaven	W. Public	Anne G. Gay	2,462	3,601	5,047	27.50
Waldoboro	Free Public	Julia Watts	1,500	3,192	10,400	10.00
Warren	Gibbs Free	Mrs. Nellie J. Stevens	660	1,035	1,300	3.50
Washington	W. Free Public	Jennie M. Smith	13,351	17,209	58,428	500.00
Waterville	Free Public	Mrs. Emma A. Dummer	521	5,439	no rec.	15.00
Weld	Memorial	Jennie G. Andrews	9,453	18,211	50,001	420.78
Westbrook	Goodspeed Memorial	Mrs. Mary E. Newport	2,505	4,950	13,146	80.00
Wilton	Public	Jennie P. Howard	3,280	4,739	5,161	50.00
Winslow	Free Public	Lena C. Joy	503	1,094	no rec.	16.22
Winter Harbor	Free L. Association	Mrs. Annie B. Clements	1,433	4,500	3,778	30.00
Winterport	W. Public	Mrs. Eliz. Lane Webb	1,192	2,300	no rec.	20.00
Wiscasset	Whitman Memorial	Mrs. Stella B. Bacon	765	2,982	5,602	11.79
Woodstock	Merrill Memorial	Ina Russell	2,216	9,762	10,683	118.20
Woodstock (P. O. Bryant's Pond)	York Public	Myrtie E. Banks	2,272	3,820	9,100	75.00
Yarmouth						
York Village						

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Acton.....	Public.....	Mrs. C. A. Butler.....	499	837	600	4.93
Alfred.....	Parsons Memorial.....	Mary C. Emerson.....	738	9,171	5,291	24.68
Andover.....	Public.....	Mrs. Alice B. Thurston.....	767	7,393	3,120	19.75
Anson.....	Stewart Public.....	Mrs. Verna Murphy.....	2,564	3,557	2,413	39.50
Auburn.....	Public.....	Georgiana Lunt.....	16,985	25,911	83,820	500.00
Augusta.....	Lithgow.....	Elizabeth M. Andrews.....	14,114	14,565	30,186	197.50
Baileyville.....						
(P. O. Woodland)	Public.....	Mrs. W. H. Stewart.....	2,243	2,500	8,708	70.86
Bangor.....	Public.....	Elmar T. Boyd.....	25,978	95,260	174,728	500.00
Bar Harbor.....	Jesup Memorial.....	Inez M. Suminsbey.....	3,622	13,500	17,750	49.37
Bath.....	Patten Free.....	Margaret R. Foote.....	14,731	26,881	33,647	325.87
Belfast.....	Free.....	E. Frances Abbott.....	5,083	20,352	32,127	49.37
Bethel.....	Bethel.....	Maud L. Thurston.....	1,792	5,888	7,896	39.50
Biddeford.....	Public.....	Emma Hatch.....	18,008	21,581	52,663	345.62
Boothbay Harbor.....	Public.....	Mrs. Allie Orne.....	2,025	5,444	19,855	98.75
Bradford.....	John B. Curtis.....	Annie M. Salley.....	738	1,758	5,069	4.93
Brewer.....	Free Public.....	Frances H. Aiken.....	6,064	6,241	16,475	118.50
Brunswick.....	Capt. John Curtis.....	Mary G. Gilman.....	7,261	17,000	30,133	177.75
Buckfield.....	Zadoc Long.....	Minerva E. Allen.....	957		2,835	21.92
Calais.....	Free.....	Bertha E. Boyd.....	6,084	13,376	18,136	130.24
Camden.....	Public.....	Doris B. Ogier.....	3,403	10,429	19,219	118.50
Cansan.....	Prescott Free.....	Clarence Hilton.....	822	2,044	3,059	17.28
Cape Elizabeth.....	Thomas Memorial.....	Mrs. Eva F. Brown.....	1,534	2,651		24.68
Caribou.....	Public.....	Mrs. Ada M. Britton.....	6,018	9,968	46,850	197.50
Castine.....	Witherle Memorial.....	Katherine Davenport.....	743	6,606	4,552	48.10
Charleston.....	Public.....	Mrs. Dora Hamm.....	729	156	734	9.87
Cherryfield.....	Public.....	Ida E. Wakefield.....	1,100	2,698	4,356	4.93
Clinton.....	Brown Memorial.....	Mrs. Lottie W. McNally.....	1,230	4,221	5,534	34.56
Corinna.....	Stewart Free.....	Edna A. Hutchins.....	1,394	14,898	11,986	4.93
Damariscotta.....	Scidompha.....	Josephine Wright.....	840	1,750	4,205	19.75
Danforth.....	Library Corp.....	Averill McKeshnie.....	1,201	1,805		9.87
Dennysville.....	Lincoln Memorial.....	Jennie W. Kelly.....	434	3,977	1,803	10.71
Dexter.....	Town.....	Lizzie S. Springall.....	4,113	14,919	25,957	246.87
Dixfield.....	Public.....	Ada I. Hammons.....	1,134			29.62
Dover-Foxcroft.....	Thompson Free.....	Mary E. Averill.....	3,150	13,735	21,357	172.81
East Livermore (P. O. Livermore Falls)	Livermore Falls Library Association.....	Cora M. Wyman.....	2,636	5,410	26,211	98.75
Eastport.....	Peavey Memorial.....	Maude M. Borette.....	4,494	13,855	14,140	79.00
Eliot.....	William Fogg.....	Blanche Liebman.....	1,530	10,036	6,889	29.24
Ellsworth.....	City.....	Mary A. Hodgkins.....	3,058	7,400		85.57
Fairfield.....	Lawrence.....	Alice S. Totman.....	1,240	10,044	14,452	148.12

Farmingdale	(Appropriates for use of Gardner Library)				6.42
Farmington	Cutler Memorial	Rena H. Adams	3,197	19,196	35,000
Fort Fairfield	Free Public	Kate K. Estes	4,551	5,983	17,142
Freeport	B. H. Bartol	Annette H. Aldrich	2,488	5,678	14,558
Friendship	Public	Agnes Lash	696	1,500	125
Gardiner	Baxter Memorial	Martha S. Bartlett	5,475	12,124	42,039
Gorham	Stimson Memorial	Victoria A. Magnusson	2,870	12,391	17,636
Gray	Free Public	Helen I. Merrill	1,139	2,075	4,334
Greenville	Memorial	Mrs. Nora Brown	1,550	4,025	10,655
Guilford	Hubbard Free	Ernestine Hale	1,687	6,511	8,075
Hallowell	Caswell	Annie F. Page	2,764	15,000	10,300
Harrison	Free	Josephine P. Ricker	901	3,500	4,976
Hartland	Moody Public	Mary Coston Smith	1,140	4,227	8,090
Hebron	Soldiers' Memorial	Elizabeth Cushman	652	309	2.47
Hiram	Hollis Center	Henry W. Merrill	837	3,000	9.87
Hollis (Center)	Cary Memorial	Ruth V. Tarbox	1,092	2,065	2,153
Houlton	Thomas Free	Anna Barnes	6,191	14,216	42,490
Howland	Free	Annie Colbath	724	1,553	6,091
Islesboro	Association	Marion Kimball	637		55.08
Jackman	Niles Memorial	Evelyn G. Doughty	902	2,600	1,930
Jay (North)	Public	Mrs. Carolyn B. Miller	3,152	1,614	2,421
Jonesboro	Peavey Memorial	E. L. Bridgham	461	950	49.37
Jonesport	Case Memorial	Mrs. D. D. Kelley	2,129	1,900	7,236
Kenduskeag	Free	Mrs. Nellie L. Nason	451	1,274	2.47
Kennebunk	Louis T. Graves Memorial	Mrs. Mary R. M. Ross	3,138	10,110	21,278
Kennebunkport	Public	Mrs. Agnes V. McCartney	1,431	7,512	12,430
Lewiston	Public	Annie L. Barr	31,791	30,429	78,912
Limestone	Public	Mrs. H. M. Long	1,506	2,000	550
Limington	Davis Memorial	Sadie M. Brackett	803	2,559	2,025
Lincoln	Lincoln Memorial	Mrs. Emma Stevens	2,452	1,454	
Machias	Porter Memorial	Mrs. Lucy H. Crocker	2,152	6,015	8,209
Madison	Public	Mrs. Emma F. Clark	3,700	6,240	27,821
Mechanic Falls	Public	Kate L. Denison	1,614	4,278	
Mercer	Shaw	Elizabeth Purcell	453	1,800	
Millinocket	Memorial	Sarah R. Coffin	4,528	5,006	32,040
Milo	Free Public	Mrs. Florence Cotter	2,894	4,257	20,276
Monmouth	Cumston Public	Mrs. Carolyn Sherman	1,372	4,575	5,097
Monson	Public	Majorie LeClair	1,079	1,650	2,872
Moose River	(Appropriates for use of Jackman Library)				4.93
New Gloucester	Public	Mrs. Louise E. True	1,384	7,300	10,800
New Sharon	Public	Mrs. F. P. Caswell	885	2,634	3,011
Newcastle	(Appropriates for use of Damariscotta Library)				19.75
Newport	Public	Myrtle Day	1,709	3,332	11,514
Norridgewock	Free Public	Mrs. Josie B. Whiting	1,532	4,852	4,865
North Haven	North Haven	Mrs. John Lermond	510	5,000	3,025
Norway	Public	Mrs. Eva M. Kimball	2,969	5,610	10,000
Oakland	Public	Helen A. Smiley	2,473	4,866	28,750
Old Orchard	Free Public	Clara M. Yates	1,164	7,523	7,651

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Old Town	Public	Amy S. Wood	6,956	7,799	17,005	207.45
Orono	W. C. T. U.	E. F. Hitchings	3,133	2,643	9,489	64.18
Oxford	Freeland Holmes	Kate Starbird	1,079	4,962	4,231	22.21
Palmyra	Public	L. W. Frost	824	1,124	1,629	4.93
Paris (South)	Public	Mrs. Ella A. Wight	3,656	5,500	16,286	49.37
Parkman	Parkman	Louise E. Kimball	565	72	775	4.14
Passadumkeag	Public	Mae Knowlton	354	3,382	2,853	15.70
Patten	Community R. R.	Mrs. Nora Palmer	1,498	2,178	7,846	24.68
Phillips	Phillips	Bertha Boston	1,353	6,248	9,600	44.43
Pittsfield	Public	Minnie Porter	2,700	8,450	18,008	217.25
Portland	Public	Alice C. Furbish	69,272	85,901	157,575	500.00
Presque Isle	Free	Lucinda B. Marston	5,581	6,993	21,200	212.31
Randolph	(Appropriates for the use of	Gardiner Library				9.87
Rangleley	Public	Mrs. Geneva B. Amber	1,028	8,665	15,303	118.50
Ripley	Crocker Free	Nora B. Hamilton	383	2,358	2,080	7.40
Rockland	Public	Kathleen Snow	8,109	13,356	44,892	493.75
Rockport	Public	Mrs. Kathryn Dunbar	1,774	3,691	16,744	39.50
Rumford	Public	Mrs. Lenore Jones	8,576		28,711	345.62
Sanford	Public	Bentley Aveyard	10,691	6,575	13,426	79.00
Sanford (P. O. Springvale)	Public	Angie H. Gile	10,691	3,300	20,800	49.37
Sangerville	Public	Addie M. Hamilton	1,246	1,365	5,038	9.87
Searsport	Carver Memorial	Mildred E. Shute	1,373		3,116	34.56
Skowhegan	Free Public	Lizzie T. Hussey	5,981	17,000	36,627	148.12
Solon	Public	Mrs. F. A. Ray	1,054	2,442	8,721	9.87
South Berwick	Fogg Memorial	John H. Goodwin	2,955	8,937		9.87
Southwest Harbor	S. W. Harbor	Mrs. Lida Cousins	824	4,700		9.87
Southwest Harbor	Manset and Seawall	Cynthia B. Stanley	824	800	750	9.87
Stetson	Public	Elizabeth Merrill	427	1,865		9.87
Stonington	Public	Fannie W. Crockett	1,353	1,620	2,340	24.68
Thomaston	Public	Ella Gilchrist	2,014	8,072	9,667	19.75
Upton	Public	Malvena C. Abbott	123	815	967	3.25
Vassalboro (E)	Public	Mrs. L. P. Cates	1,936	2,566	2,633	19.75
Vinalhaven	Public	Linda A. Jones	1,965	5,600	9,625	49.37
Waldoboro	Public	Anne G. Gay	2,462	3,800	5,922	17.28
Warren	Free Public	Julia Watts	1,500	3,264	7,800	9.87
Washburn	Public	Myrtle L. Smith	1,870	1,184	6,475	34.56
Washington	Gibbs Free	Mary E. Poland	660	1,180	1,750	3.46
Waterville	Free Public	Jennie M. Smith	13,351	17,769	59,253	500.00
Weld	Free Public	Emma A. Dummer	521	5,063		14.80
Westbrook	Memorial	Jennie G. Andrews	9,453	18,619	52,936	422.02
Wilton	Goodspeed Memorial	Mrs. Mary E. Newport	2,505	5,400	14,637	88.87
Winslow	Public	Jennie P. Howard	3,280	4,914	5,036	49.37



Winter Harbor.....	Public.....	Lena C. Joy.....	503	1,221	1,440	17.45
Winterport.....	Memorial.....	Mrs. Annie B. Clements.....	1,433	4,735	4,906	29.62
Wiscasset.....	Public.....	Mrs. Elizabeth Webb.....	1,192	2,690	9,060	19.75
Woodstock.....	Whitman Memorial.....	Mrs. Stella B. Bacon.....	765	3,084	5,523	15.44
Yarmouth.....	Merrill Memorial.....	Ina Russell.....	2,216	10,148	11,995	128.37
York (Village).....	Public.....	Myrtie. E. Banks.....	2,727	3,004	.....	74.05

## LIBRARY BUILDINGS ERECTED 1915-1925

*Anson (North), Foster Public Library.*

Wooden building, formerly an office building. \$1,500 gift of D. D. Stewart of St. Albans.

*Bradford, John B. Curtis Library.*

Brick and granite building. \$20,000 under the will of John B. Curtis of Portland. John Calvin and John Howard Stevens, Architects.

*Boothbay Harbor, Boothbay Harbor Free Public Library.*

Wooden building. Old house remodeled.

*Canaan, Prescott Free Library.**Canton, Hersey Library.*

House, completely furnished for living purposes, given by Col. Philo Hersey, San Jose, Calif.

*Cape Elizabeth, Thomas Memorial Library.*

Brick school-house remodeled, gift of William Widgery Thomas, formerly Minister to Sweden, now of Portland.

*Cumberland Center, Prince Memorial Library.*

Brick building, \$35,000 under the will of Miss Annie L. Prince. Lot given by Mrs. J. B. Thomas, Pittsfield, Mass. George Chase Emery, Waltham, Mass., Architect.

*Damariscotta, Skidompha Library.*

Wooden building. Old house remodeled; Woman's Club has accommodations.

*Greenville, Shaw Library.*

Brick building, gift of Charles D. Shaw of Greenville.

*Harrington, Harrington Public Library.*

\$12,000 gift of Mrs. Horace Gallison, New York City.

*Hollis Center, Hollis Center Public Library.*

Building erected by subscription. Lot a gift.

*Islesboro, Islesboro Free Library.*

\$2,000 raised by subscription, \$2,000 raised by the town.

*Jackman, Jackman Library.*

Community House and Library combined.

*Jay (North), Niles Memorial Library.*

Gift of the Niles family of North Jay and Wellesley, Massachusetts. Brick with granite trimmings.

*Kingfield, Webster Library Association.*

\$10,000 by the will of John C. Webster, West Hartford, Connecticut.

*Jonesport, Peabody Memorial Library.*

Brick with granite trimmings, \$15,000 gift of Mrs. Oliver W. Peabody, Milton, Massachusetts.

*Lincoln, Lincoln Memorial Library.*

Brick colonial. \$35,000 by gifts and bequests and a large appropriation by the town. Coolidge & Carlson, Boston, Architects.

*Livermore, Livermore Public Library.*

School building purchased for a library, moved and re-modeled.

*Milo, Milo Public Library.*

Brick building. \$8,500 from the Carnegie fund.

*Oakland, Free Public Library.*

Brick building. . Carnegie building. \$10,000 approximate sum. Lot presented by Miss Alice Benjamin.

*Orrington (East), Burns Memorial Building.*

\$4,000 left by Elnathan W. Burns, community library and gymnasium.

*Parsonsfield, Kezar Falls, Kezar Falls Library.**Passadumkeag, Passadumkeag Library.*

Former school-house and church.

*St. George, Port Clyde, Port Clyde Free Library.**Sebago (East), Spaulding Memorial Library.*

Field stone. Gift of Mrs. Leon H. Spaulding, Rochester, N. Y. John P. Thomas, Portland, Architect.

*Sebago, Richville, Richville Library.*

Wooden building, subscriptions by summer residents.

*Standish, Steep Falls, Steep Falls Library.*

Brick with granite trimmings, \$16,000. New wing built in 1924.

*Stetson, Stetson Public Library.*

Wooden building; lower floor remodeled for library purposes; upper floor for Woman's Club.

*Stockton Springs, Sandy Point, Sandy Point Library.*

Gift of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hamilton, Boston, Mass.

*Wells, Ogunquit, Free Memorial Library.*

Stone; not built during this ten-year period but doubled in size in 1917.

*Wilton, Goodspeed Memorial Library.*

Gray brick; \$10,000 from Mrs. Agnes I. Goodspeed; \$10,000 from her sons, F. O. and G. F. Goodspeed.

*Winterport, Free Library Association.*

Field stone; \$10,000 raised by subscription; designed by Victor Hodges, Bangor.

*Winthrop, Charles M. Bailey Public Library.*

Pink granite; gift of Charles M. Bailey.

*York Village, York Library.*

Stone.

## GIFTS AND BEQUESTS TO MAINE LIBRARIES

June, 1924-July, 1926.

*Bar Harbor, Jessup Memorial Library.*

Money sufficient to purchase seventy children's books given by two members of the summer colony.

*Bath, Patten Free Library.*

\$1,000 memorial fund to Hon. Harold M. Sewall.  
\$1,000 under the will of Mrs. Ernestine S. Wright.

*Belfast, Belfast Free Library.*

Seventy-seven beautiful art books valued at several hundred dollars, given by Mrs. Hattie Clark.

*Biddeford, McArthur Library.*

\$350 from Pepperell Manufacturing Company.

\$150 from Saco-Lowell shops.

*Camden, Camden Public Library.*

\$100 gift from summer colony.

*Eastport, Eastport Public Library.*

\$1,000 gift of the Eastport Female Benevolent Society.

*Fryeburg, Fryeburg Woman's Club Library.*

Gift of funds by Mr. Calvin Austin, sufficient to refinish ceiling and floor.

*Gardiner, Gardiner Public Library.*

Eight steel stacks, gifts of prominent citizens.

*Greenville, Shaw Library.*

Gift of brick library building, fully equipped, from Charles D. Shaw of Greenville.

*Gorham, Baxter Memorial Library.*

Through the kindness of Ex-Governor Baxter, extensive improvements were made on the library, exterior and interior.

*Islesboro, Islesboro Free Library.*

\$500 gift of summer residents.

*Kennebunk, Kennebunk Free Library.*

\$3,200 by bequests from several individuals.

*Machias, Porter Memorial Library.*

\$2,000 from the estate of Mrs. Anna Ames Peavey.

\$1,000 in the name of Samuel Valentine Cole.

*Milo, Milo Free Public Library.*

\$500 by the will of Dr. Harry A. Snow of Milo.

*North Bridgton, North Bridgton Library Association.*

\$100 from the estate of Miss Cushman.

*Mount Desert, Northeast Harbor Library.*

\$1,000 from a former summer resident.

*Norway, Norway Public Library.*

\$200 from the estate of Dorothy Horr.

*Paris (West), West Paris Public Library.*

New building given by the late L. M. Mann.

\$400 in stock, gift of L. C. Bates.

*Presque Isle, Presque Isle Free Library.*

\$115 from the Clef Club.

*Rockland, Rockland Public Library.*

Two antique iron lighting standards, gift under the will of Hon. Edward Butler.

*Sebago (East), Spaulding Memorial Library.*

Gift of a building, fully equipped, from Mrs. Leon Spaulding, in memory of her husband.

*Waterville, Waterville Public Library.*

\$478.37, gift of Waterville Woman's Club.

*Wayne, Wayne Library.*

A collection of 500 valuable bookplates.

*Winslow, Winslow Public Library.*

\$1,000 by the will of Judge Leslie C. Cornish.

\$100 by the will of Miss Lura E. Dunbar.

\$107.50 from William B. Getchell, in memory of Mr. E. Getchell.

### SUMMER READING COURSE

During the past two years forty-five children have taken the summer reading course offered by the State Library and have passed the examinations successfully. Three of these children have received the BLUE SEAL, which means that instead of completing the requirements on ten books they read the entire twenty and passed examinations thereon.

The libraries undertaking this work during this time were Bath, Gardiner, Dixfield, Lewiston, Machias and Rock-

land. The libraries at Bath, Gardiner and Rockland carried on the course for two years in succession and the children undertaking it in such libraries were entitled to select a choice, illustrated edition of some standard juvenile book and present it to the library in the name of the reading course.

A satisfactory completion of this course places considerable honor on the children as it is by no means an easy one. It is not intended as a reading "club," simply for recreation or "browsing." It is not a course for children who have read but little. For such children we recommend that the library offer a simple reading club which will lead them up to the reading required in the course.

The Gardiner Library has undertaken the course for the third year in succession and fifteen boys and girls have already completed the reading for the eighth grade requirement and passed examinations on the books and received certificates.

### LIBRARY CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

The correspondence course which was started three years ago with a limited number of six has now increased so that it has been necessary to accept as students only those who are actually holding positions in libraries. There are now twenty-seven actively working on the course and several waiting to be admitted. Each one of the number in the course at present is either librarian or an assistant in a library in Maine.

### TRAVELING LIBRARIES

The traveling library project has journeyed far from the days when four sets went each year into selected stations to the time when seven hundred sets have gone as during the past year, to individuals, organizations, communities.

These collections of books made up in sets of twenty-five and fifty volumes, are compiled to suit the needs of old and young, rich and poor, teachers, farmers, parents.

Following are tables of figures showing the actual work of the department with statements of increases over a period of years:

### BOOK CIRCULATION STATISTICS

July 1, 1924—June 30, 1925

Adult fiction .....	26,650
Adult non-fiction .....	3,519
Juvenile fiction .....	23,036
Juvenile non-fiction .....	8,953
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Total	62,157

July 1, 1925—June 30, 1926

Adult fiction .....	31,321
Adult non-fiction .....	4,542
Juvenile fiction .....	24,781
Juvenile non-fiction .....	14,702
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Total	75,346

### INCREASES DURING 5-YEAR PERIOD

June, 1921-July, 1922 .....	39,725
June, 1922-July, 1923 .....	41,184
June, 1923-July, 1924 .....	48,103
June, 1924-July, 1925 .....	62,157
June, 1925-July, 1926 .....	75,346

In addition to the showing of a nearly double increase in circulation during a period of five years, it is of interest to note the comparison in increases in the various types of reading during the two years last past; for example the increase of juvenile non-fiction reading over that of the preceding year is 5,749. This can be accounted for readily by the fact that we have constantly strengthened that type of literature in our juvenile sets as we have found that children do not really care whether a book is "fiction" or "non-fiction"—so called, provided it is interesting. We make no distinction in the types of literature thus sent out, the distinction being made in our office records only at the time



when the sets are returned to us. It is certainly gratifying to note this great increase but that which gives even more satisfaction is the fact that over 1,000 more volumes of adult non-fiction were read in our sets this year than in the year previous. This is not due to an increase in inclusion of that type of reading material, but can be accounted for only by an actual increase in interest in this substantial writing.

In view of the increases in the non-fiction the increase in the fiction reading seems in no way abnormal and we cannot help looking forward with pardonable eagerness to the outcome of the records during the two years to follow.

NEW TOWNS ADDED TO LIST OF TRAVELING  
LIBRARY STATIONS

Alfred  
Arrowsic  
Bancroft  
Beals  
Benedicta  
Brookton  
Burlington  
Chapman  
Cheisea  
Detroit  
Durham  
Eliot  
Eliotsville Pl.  
Farmingdale  
Forest City  
Frenchville  
Georgetown  
Hammond Pl.  
Kennebunk  
Lang Pl.  
Mechanic Falls  
Molunkus  
Mt. Chase  
Ouelette  
Owls Head  
Prospect  
Randolph  
St. Agatha  
St. John Pl.  
Seboeis  
Springfield  
Swan's Island  
21 Pl.  
Waite  
Waldo  
Whitneyville

### COMPARATIVE TABLE OF TRAVELING LIBRARIES DISTRIBUTED

	1915-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	23-24	24-25	25-26
July	14	40	40	32	42	34	42	45	45	35	36
August	12	16	21	12	14	21	31	20	25	25	30
September	14	17	43	16	52	55	60	60	65	75	90
October	16	48	59	25	74	84	70	79	75	89	100
November	34	49	46	52	49	59	86	90	55	95	100
December	68	50	32	34	34	50	60	96	71	73	75
January	39	52	55	95	45	55	40	42	26	35	40
February	50	20	20	35	30	40	20	40	44	60	65
March	25	31	35	20	33	36	45	33	43	65	60
April	15	16	10	31	30	44	35	35	40	40	30
May	16	17	19	14	30	25	30	30	35	35	35
June	25	15	28	20	26	32	40	45	45	52	39
	328	371	408	*386	459	535	559	615	569	679	700

\*Influenza epidemic year.

Following is a table showing the increases in city and town appropriations in 1925 as compared with the year 1920. In addition to financial increases there are to be found some towns making appropriations in 1925 which did not make any in 1920. Each year sees at least one and sometimes several new names added to the roll of those which provide for the public library from taxation funds.

Town	1920 Appropriation	1925 Appropriation
*Acton .....	none	\$ 50
Alfred .....	\$ 100	250
Andover .....	200	200
Anson, North .....	100	400
Auburn .....	4,000	8,000
Augusta .....	1,000	2,500
Bangor .....	11,000	15,000
Baileyville .....	450	800
Bar Harbor .....	500	500
Bath .....	2,150	3,000
Belfast .....	930	500
Bethel .....	300	400
Biddeford .....	2,200	3,500
Boothbay H. ....	450	900

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Town	1920 Appropriation	1925 Appropriation
Bradford .....	50	50
Brewer .....	750	1 200
Brunswick .....	1,400	1,800
Buckfield .....	200	250
Calais .....	1,172	1,696 75
Camden .....	800	1,200
Canaan .....	125	175
Cape Elizabeth .....	250	250
Caribou .....	1,499 23	2,086 20
Castine .....	379 64	502 70
*Charleston .....	none	100
Cherryfield .....	50	50
Clinton .....	350	550
Corinna .....	50	50
Damariscotta .....	100	200
Danforth .....	100	100
Dennysville .....	127	140
Dexter .....	1,600	2,300
Dixfield .....	300	300
Dover-Foxcroft .....	1,200	1,700
*Dresden .....	none	50
East Livermore .....	500	1,200
Eastport .....	800	500
Eliot .....	200	300
Ellsworth .....	826 63	1,000
Fairfield .....	1,000	2,000
*Farmingdale .....	none	65
Farmington .....	1,100	1,500
Fort Fairfield .....	1,662 80	1,800
Freeport .....	500	1,000
Friendship .....	15	
Gardiner .....	1,200	2,700
Gorham .....	1,350	1,600
Gray .....	75	166 30
Greenville .....	300	500
Guilford .....	575	750
Hallowell .....	250	250
Harrison .....	250	200

Town	Appropriation 1920	Appropriation 1925
Hartland .....	150	300
Hiram .....	100	100
Hollis .....	50	50
*Hebron .....	none	50
Houlton .....	1,000	2,500
*Howland .....	none	500
Islesboro .....	300 37	700
*Jackman .....	none	100
*Jay, North .....	none	500
Jonesboro .....	35	50
Jonesport .....	500	500
Kenduskeag .....	25	25
Kennebunk .....	500	500
Kennebunkport .....	250	400
Lewiston .....	5,600	8,500
Limestone .....	300	200
*Limington .....	none	200
Lincoln .....	212 75	2,111 74
Machias .....	500	500
Madison .....	1,050	2,000
Mechanic Falls .....	300	500
*Mercer .....	none	49 41
Millinocket .....	2,102 95	4,500
Milo .....	500	1,000
Monmouth .....	175	400
Monson .....	100	50
*Moose River .....	none	50
New Gloucester .....	392 50	474
New Sharon .....	77 50	103 50
Newcastle .....	100	200
Newport .....	225	250
Norridgewock .....	200	275
North Haven .....	125	121
Norway .....	900	800
Oakland .....	1,000	1,500
Old Orchard .....	400	400
Old Town .....	1,800	2,000
Orono .....	400	650

Town	1920 Appropriation	1925 Appropriation
Oxford .....	200	250
Palmyra .....	50	50
*Parkman .....	none	26
Paris, South .....	400	500
*Passadumkeag .....	none	125
*Parsonsfield .....	none	75
*Patten .....	none	300
Phillips .....	400	450
Pittsfield .....	1,500	2,250
*Porter .....	none	50
Portland .....	6,000	20,000
Presque Isle .....	1,500	1,600
Rangeley .....	650	1,200
*Randolph .....	none	100
Ripley .....	50	80
Rockland .....	2,000	7,350
Rockport .....	300	500
Rumford .....	1,600	4,500
Sanford .....	800	1,300
*Sangerville .....	none	150
Searsport .....	300	350
Skowhegan .....	1,050	1,500
Solon .....	150	100
South Berwick .....	100	100
Southwest Harb. ....	150	200
Stetson .....	150	100
*Stonington .....	none	275
*Thomaston .....	none	200
*Upton .....	none	50
Vassalboro .....	200	200
Vinalhaven .....	500	600
Waldoboro .....	100	175
Warren .....	100	100
*Washington .....	none	25
Waterville .....	4,600	6,000
Weld .....	150	150
Westbrook .....	3,095 95	4,861 54
Wilton .....	500	1,000

Town	1920 Appropriation	1925 Appropriation
Winslow .....	350	500
*Winter Harbor .....	none	200
Winterport .....	100	600
*Wiscasset .....	none	200
Woodstock .....	85	200
Yarmouth .....	1,200	1,200
York .....	750	750
Totals .....	\$92,939 32	\$159,934 13

\* Indicates new appropriation.

Dresden, Farmingdale and Randolph appropriate money so that citizens may have the use of the Gardiner library. Moose River appropriates for use of Jackman library. Newcastle appropriates for use of Damariscotta library. Porter appropriates for use of Kezar Falls Library.

This list shows an increase of approximately \$67,000 in library appropriations throughout the state and 24 additional towns making appropriations over the number of those doing so in 1920, while no town has discontinued taxation support of the library, permanently.

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Under the benefits of the fund for founding free public libraries, during the past two years the following libraries have received books:

Carmel .....	\$100 00
Mattawamkeag .....	100 00
Mexico (Ridlonville Library).....	100 00

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	fifth,	" " "	1865
	sixth,	" " "	1866
	seventh,	" " "	1867
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	ninth,	" " "	1869
	tenth,	" " "	1870
	eleventh,	" " "	1871
J. S. Hobbs,	twelfth,	" " "	1872
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	fifteenth,	" " "	1875
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	thirty-seventh,	" " "	1922-1924
	thirty-eighth,	" " "	1924-1926