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HISTORY OF THE OREGON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

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C H R O N O L O G Y

Oregon Library Association

- 1940, June 14 Organization meeting at Timberline Lodge.
- 1940-1941 Certification Bill sponsored by O.L.A. Did not pass.
- 1941-1942
Aug. 29, 1941 Constitution adopted.
- Jan. 24, 1942 First representative on P.N.L.A. Board of Directors appointed.
- July 1, 1942 Designated chapter of A.L.A.
- 1942-1943 No legislative action because of wartime conditions.
No annual meeting because of wartime conditions.
- 1943-1944 Library publicity and development discussed.
- 1944-1945 No annual meeting.
- 1945-1946 State Aid bill sponsored
Public Library Demonstration bill supported.
- 1946-1947 State Aid bill - did not pass.
Discussion of Certification resumed.
Public Library Demonstration bill supported.
- 1947-1948 Oregon Library Development Fund established.
Public Library Demonstration bill supported.
- 1948-1949 Library Demonstration bill sponsored. Failed to pass.
- 1949-1950 Public Library Demonstration bill supported.
- 1950-1951 Regional Library development program set up by P.N.L.A.
First issue of newsletter under title Special Bulletin No.1, Apr. 27 '51.
List of adult education agencies compiled.
May, 1950. O.L.A. contributed \$200 to support of Library Services bill.
- 1951-1952 Library Services bill supported.
Library Development Committee began its study of library situation in Oregon.
Recruitment Committee prepared folder, "Paging your future".
- 1952-1953 Library Development Committee continued study.
Recruitment Committee prepared and published: "Paging your future".
Library Development Committee prepared: "O.L.A. looks ahead".
Marcia W. Hill Scholarship established.
Oregon Library News adopted as official title of O.L.A. newsletter.
Library Services bill supported.
Honorary Life Memberships first awarded.
"Paging your future" was adopted nationally by the A.L.A. Joint Committee on Librarianship as a Career.
- 1953-1954 List of adult education agencies revised. First county area committees set up. Fourteen area meetings held throughout the State to publicize library development program.

OREGON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

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The first meeting of the Oregon librarians to discuss forming an Oregon State Association was held at Timberline Lodge, Friday, June 14, 1940. The presiding officer was Miss Wilma Boisselier of Hood River. Miss Nell Unger, Library Association of Portland, moved that an Oregon Association be formed. Miss Lucy Lewis, Director of Libraries, Oregon State System of Higher Education, seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

Mr. Willis Warren, University of Oregon, was elected temporary president, until the next meeting. Miss Mary Blossom, Library Association of Portland, was elected Secretary, and Mrs. Dena Hofstetter, Malheur County Library, Ontario, Treasurer. It was decided that the elected officers should select the directors of the Association and that there should be one director from each Congressional district and one trustee from the state at large.

Dues were set, by vote, at fifty cents, for legislative work, postage, etc. A Constitution and By-Laws Committee was appointed by the Executive Committee. This committee was Mr. Hugh Morrow, Salem Public Library, Miss Katherine Hughes, Oregon State College, Miss Alice Graham, Albany College, Portland, (Minutes, Timberline, June 14, 1940) So far as can be ascertained, this committee did not function.

The preliminary draft of the Constitution was submitted to President Willis Warren on February 17, 1941, signed by Caroline Smith, Linfield College, McMinnville, and Hugh Morrow, Salem Public Library, Chairman. (Letter, Morrow to Warren, February 17, 1941)

The Constitution was presented to the membership at its meeting, a meeting which was held in connection with P.N.L.A., at the Empress Hotel, Victoria, August 29, 1941. A number of changes were suggested and made, after which the Constitution in amended form was moved and carried to take effect immediately. (Minutes, Victoria, August 29, 1941) This Constitution states that the object of the Oregon Library Association shall be to promote better library service and librarianship. It was in the thinking of the leaders in the organization of the new association that a pressing need existed for the improvement of librarianship, especially in the public and school libraries of the state, and that such an organization could help achieve the enactment of a good state certification law.

In the early years of the Association it was deemed feasible to hold meetings in conjunction with the P.N.L.A. meetings; the district meetings held by Miss Harriet Long, State Librarian, were considered sufficient for Oregon librarians, with the understanding that the Association have an increasing part in them. (Letter, Warren to Hofstetter, March 20, 1941)

The first project undertaken by the new Association was the introduction of a State Certification bill into the Legislature. (Minutes, Executive Board, December 28, 1940) In 1946 and after, the legislative program was directed to State Aid (Demonstration) The Association has also endorsed Federal Aid legislation, sponsored by A.L.A. These legislative programs are described more fully in the following pages.

STATE LEGISLATION

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CERTIFICATION

At the Executive Board meeting, December 28, 1940, there was discussion of the advisability of working for the State Certification bill in the next legislature. A legislative committee had been appointed with Katherine Anderson of the Library Association of Portland as chairman. (Note.- The minutes of the Executive Board, dated December 28, 1940, mistakenly lists the chairman as Miss Florence Anderson) It was suggested that all available material be gathered, that Mr. Chapman be approached for space in The Oregon Voter; that Mr. Robert Farrell, as speaker of the House, and other Multnomah County representatives be interested in the bill. Miss Helen McRath, of Library Association of Portland, who did most of the lobbying for the 1939 legislature, was to be asked to cooperate with the committee.

The report on the attempt to put through this legislation was given at the general meeting of O.L.A. at Victoria, August 29, 1941. No report of this committee could be located by the Manual-History Committee. Correspondence between Hugh Morrow and Katherine Anderson indicates that a bill was prepared and introduced to the Education Committee prior to February 8, 1941. Upon consideration, that committee decided to send the bill to the Legislation and Rules Committee as a "By Request" bill, rather than as an Education Committee bill. The Legislation and Rules Committee decided to mark it "Hold" rather than returning it to the Education Committee with any recommendation. It seems that the chief opposition to the bill came from the clerk of the Legislation and Rules Committee who appeared to oppose the form and wording rather than the principle of the bill. After consultation with Miss Harriet Long, the State Librarian, Miss Anderson wrote to Mr. Morrow that they felt the odds were too heavily against the bill's getting through the legislative process before the end of the session and recommended dropping the bill until the next session. Mr. Morrow also expressed the opinion that much of the difficulty encountered could have been eliminated had the bill been introduced at least two weeks earlier. (Correspondence. February 8, 11, 12, 1941)

In 1942, at the Midwinter meeting, Salem, January 24, Miss Katherine Anderson, chairman of the Legislative Committee, reviewed the present Oregon laws relating to libraries and spoke of the need for a certification law. She urged cooperation of all members in backing library legislation at future legislative sessions.

There was no further action for three years, because of wartime conditions. The record is resumed in the report of the Legislative Committee, September 18, 1945. (In Secretary's files):

"At least two efforts (1939 and 1941) have been made to put a certification bill through the legislature before. Each time we have failed because the proper ground work has not been laid. Librarians have not been educated to the need for this law, nor have legislators been informed by librarians who know the benefits to be had under such a law. Because untrained librarians head most of our public libraries, there has been a real fear of such a law which would prevent them from moving to another job; these capable and faithful librarians must receive more consideration in any new bill to be

proposed. All librarians and trustees must be convinced of the worth of the measure before the O.L.A. can sponsor a certification bill, in the chairman's opinion. Therefore, it is a job that must be done within our Association first. Following are some of the controversial points:

1. Who shall make up the certification board, the state library board, or a similar group appointed by the governor?
2. Should various grades of certification be issued?
3. What should be the population limit where certification required?
4. The words "full-time professional library position" should be adequately defined. Who shall determine or define this phrase--the local library board or the certification board? It should be defined in the law.
5. To whom shall the law apply?

CONCLUSION: Mr. Morrow concludes that the above point, as well as many others, must be clearly determined, and the information given to the attorney general for composition of a bill. Loose language such as was used in 1941 must be avoided." (Report of the Legislative Committee, September 18, 1945)

The question of certification was placed on the program at the annual meeting, Salem, May 25, 1946. Miss Neva LeBlond, Umatilla County Library, presented a very complete summary of the problem of certification for librarians, covering all possible considerations and the programs being followed in other states. (A copy of this report is available in the President's files)

Mr. Morrow, chairman of the Legislative and Library Standards Committee, presented his committee's recommendation that voluntary certification be practiced while an educational program for legal certification was being conducted. It was moved, seconded and carried, that the following resolution be presented to the Trustees of the Oregon State Library:

"WHEREAS the Oregon Library Association, assembled in annual meeting on May 25, 1946, in Salem, Oregon, agrees that there is a need for proper recognition of librarianship as a profession in the State of Oregon, and

WHEREAS this Association recognizes the legal status of the Trustees of the State Library, as well as its long standing interest in the advancement of the library profession in the State of Oregon,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE OREGON LIBRARY ASSOCIATION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THE TRUSTEES OF THE STATE LIBRARY TO SET UP WITHIN THE STATE A SYSTEM OF VOLUNTARY CERTIFICATION OF LIBRARIANS OF ALL GRADES

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE TRANSMITTED TO THE LIBRARIAN OF THE OREGON STATE LIBRARY FOR PRESENTATION TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE STATE LIBRARY."

Voluntary certification was discussed at some length at the Executive Board meeting, Bend, July 13, 1946, with the following conclusions: It should be a matter of recognition rather than that of specifying requirements; examinations

would not be practical when we are working on a voluntary basis, nor should there be a fee; it should apply to anyone receiving public money for library service, making possible a record at the State Library of credentials through training or experience; grading would be on the basis of formal training or its equivalent in administration or experience; in this tentative plan three grades of certificate could be given: administrative, professional, and temporary.

Again at the Executive Board meeting, Vancouver, September 5, 1946, certification was discussed. Miss Stephens reported that an outline had been worked out by Mr. Morrow, Mr. Graves, and herself which was in three parts and would make possible a codification of all qualifications of librarians in the State. The plan would suggest a \$1.00 fee. (Detailed outline is in Secretary's files) A motion was made, seconded and carried that the Association adopt this outline of procedure for certification.

At the general meeting, Seattle, September 3, 1947, Mr. Morrow reported that the Oregon State Library Board was asked to sponsor a voluntary certification plan. After some time it expressed its reluctance to do so at that time, as it would add too great a burden to the staff of the Oregon State Library. When financial aid becomes available (if it should) from either the State or Federal agencies, it would reconsider. The provisions of this plan included:

- (1) Certification on a voluntary basis, whereby anyone could obtain a certificate by filing credentials with the certification board;
- (2) payment of a \$1.00 fee;
- (3) three types: administrative, non-administrative, temporary;
- (4) time of expiration--good as long as the person continued in present position.

This report included Miss Stephens' recommendations that O.L.A. go all out for some sort of State Aid plan in which standards for librarians would be raised; also that a continuing committee be appointed to study further various plans of certification over the country. This report was accepted. The Executive Board, Seattle, September 3, 1947, decided that the Certification Committee should continue its work.

At the Executive Board meeting, Salem, March 16, 1948, Miss Stephens reported that nothing had been done because action was contingent on library demonstration funds (Federal aid funds) and that community feeling was that it would have to wait until there were such funds.

The account of work for certification concludes in the minutes of the annual meeting, Salem, May 7, 1949, when it was moved and carried that the Certification Committee be deferred for at least one year.

STATE LEGISLATION

STATE AID

State aid was first mentioned as a field of study in the report of the Legislative Committee, dated September 18, 1945. (In Secretary's files)

The Executive Board, Bend, July 13, 1946, discussed library development in rural areas and the best method of securing state aid for such development. The proposed Federal aid to a maximum amount of \$75,000 was taken into consideration, but the vote was unanimous to ask for State Aid. The following resolution was adopted and the president instructed to send it with a letter to the State Library Board:

"All statistics and studies of public library service in Oregon show that many of our citizens and particularly those residing in rural areas, do not have adequate public library service.

"The Oregon Library Association is convinced that library service of the kind required by a modern and enlightened democracy can be provided in Oregon and for all citizens only through financial support from the State for local, public, and county library service. The more progressive states of our country are already providing such financial aid from state funds for public library service.

"It is the intention of our Association to actively promote such public library state aid legislation for Oregon. Since the State Library is the logical agency to administer any program of State aid which may be adopted by the Legislature, we request that the Board of Trustees of the Oregon State Library approve the principle of State Aid for public library service and that it express its willingness to have such a program carried out under the supervision and administration of the State Library."

September 5, 1946, at an Executive Board meeting, Vancouver, B.C., the chairman of the Legislative and Library Standards Committee reported that a sub-committee (Mr. Carlson, Miss Stephens, Miss Blair) had been appointed to draw up this bill; that publicity was to be sponsored by the O.L.A., working especially through organizations such as clubs, labor groups, and the Grange; that the chairman of the special Publicity Committee would be asked to take care of publicity and that the chairman of the Legislative and Library Standards Committee would secure someone to present the bill to the Legislature.

The history of this State Aid bill, H.R. 367, text of which is in Secretary's files (44th Legislative Assembly) is found in the minutes of the Executive Board meetings, March 22, 1947, Salem, and in the State Library's Special Bulletin on State Aid to Libraries, March 1, 1947.

The search for someone to present the bill to the Legislature located three persons who were especially helpful: Mr. Burt K. Snyder, Lakeview, Mr. Fred Inkster, Oswego, and Mrs. Anna M. Ellis, Garibaldi; Mrs. Ellis permitted the bill to be introduced through her Welfare Committee. The opinion of those consulted was rather generally that there was not much hope of an appropriation at this time, due to the fact that no funds were available even for regular work. The chairman of the Legislative and Library Standards Committee wrote to Mr. Lee Patterson, Senator, Multnomah County, and Mr. Lyle D. Thomas, Representative, Polk County; the former gave an encouraging reply. (Minutes. Executive Board. Salem, March 22, 1947)

After the second reading, it was referred to the Ways and Means Committee, who decided on February 26 that it could not find sources of revenue to meet its requirements. The Committee decided to bring it to the floor of the Legislature a "do not pass". Newspaper publicity of this possibility stirred friends of the measure to ask the Committee for further consideration; Mr. William Carlson, a member of the O.L.A. Legislative Committee, and the State Librarian were given the courtesy of a long hearing on Friday, February 28th. It was learned conclusively that this year's program could not be furthered for two reasons:

1. THE STATE TAX PROBLEM IS SUCH THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO LOCATE FUNDS FOR H.B. 367.
2. ADEQUATE EXPRESSION OF OPINION HAS NOT BEEN FELT FROM STATE-WIDE GROUPS TO CAPTURE FUNDS WHICH ARE NOW COMMANDEREED BY OTHER MORE VOCAL PRESSURE GROUPS. (Oregon State Library. Special Bulletin on State to Libraries--H.R. 367. March 1, 1947)

As of March 22, 1947, the bill was buried in committee.

Mrs. Marie Jackson, chairma of the Publicity Committee, reported that letters had been written regarding the bill and that other publicity had been prepared. It was her opinion that when the next effort is made more money would be needed to properly publicize the bill and that someone should be appointed to be in Salem to watch progress and talk to the legislators.

The Planning Committee report was submitted by Miss Stephens with an added note that the Legislature would approve only a two year period of State Aid, and the books to be loaned from the State Library would be left in the localities as long as needed. This report was accepted.

A motion was made and carried that there be an amendment, limiting the Demonstration Bill to two years, coinciding with the legislative period.

A letter from Mr. Carlson was read, looking forward to the next step for the State Aid bill. He suggested that other librarians than Miss Stephens, who was officially connected, meet the committee from the Legislature.

Other suggestions were made from the group as to the next procedure:

There should be a campaign fund started at once; There should be a paid fund-chairman from O.L.A. who could be on hand at the Legislature to follow the bill's progress and keep O.L.A. members informed; Different organizations should be asked to contri-

bute to the fund. The motion was made by Mrs. Hofstetter that the Association establish a State Library Development Fund, and that the Board present the matter at the next general meeting of the group. The motion was carried. (Minutes. Executive Board, Salem, March 22, 1947)

A resumé of this attempt to secure legislation for state aid was given the membership at the annual meeting, Seattle, September 3, 1947. Appreciation was expressed to Mrs. Jackson for her publicity work, to Miss Stephens for her untiring efforts in behalf of the bill, to Mr. Carlson, who met with the committee from the Legislature, and to Mr. Inkster, from whom greatest lay support was received. The report further states that favorable resolutions were passed by the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, Oregon P.T.A., and A.A.U.W., but that no pressure could be brought by these groups because no one knew just when the bill was going up for consideration. The chairman of the Legislative and Library Standards Committee recommended a lobbyist in Salem at the next session, supported by librarians, and an adequate fund for promotion of this bill. The report was accepted.

Further discussion of State Aid pointed out Miss Stephens' limitations in assumption of responsibility because of her official connection, the need of individual contact with representatives, and the need for further understanding of Oregon's library problems.

Mr. Carlson made a motion that the Executive Board of O.L.A. be authorized to undertake immediately an educational campaign in behalf of financial support of the public libraries in Oregon by the state government, and that the Board be authorized to draw upon existing funds of the Association, at its discretion, with due consideration for the established financial needs of the Association. This motion was carried. (Minutes. Annual meeting. Seattle. September 3, 1947)

The 1947-1948 Legislative and Library Standards Committee drew up a procedure outline, Program for Securing Desirable Library Legislation for Oregon. (In Secretary's files) It was agreed that candidates for the Legislature should first be contacted by mail by the committee and then approached by some member of the community. (Minutes. Executive Board. Salem. March 16, 1948)

At the annual meeting, Portland, May 22, 1948, the chairma of the Legislative and Library Standards Committee outlined the Committee's plans as follows:

"... it will activate the plans deemed desirable by the Association. There will be need to duplicate (copies of) legislation desired. There will be need to disseminate information on what our desired legislation will mean; this information should be such that it can be understood by all the people. He stated that we must reach organized groups as the Grange, P.T.A., League of Women Voters, and the service clubs. We should cultivate newspapers for publicity. Our educational campaign should be in full progress when the fall election campaign is under way. We should approach persons while they are still candidates and ask for constructive criticism of our program; approach should be on a personal basis. After election our action should be (1) Contact successful candidate to

remind him that our program is to aid the citizenry (not librarians) and (2) Mobilize public opinion by participation in and furnishing information to interested persons for use in meetings or groups. He suggested that a representation of interested citizens of Oregon be present at time of presentation of the bill. . . ."

The Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs at their biennial state convention in North Bend, Sept. 3, 1948, passed a resolution actively endorsing the Oregon Library Association's efforts to seek state aid for the betterment and improvement of public library service in Oregon and making the Association's library bill one of the important legislative projects of the Oregon Federation and stating that actual personal contact should be made with local legislators urging them to support this library bill. (Copy of this resolution in Secretary's files, 1948-49)

Correspondence concerning the State Aid bill which ordinarily would be in the President's files could not be located. However, many letters are on file at the State Library. See folder: O.L.A. - Committees - Library Development - State Aid.

The minutes of the Executive Board meeting, Portland, November 12, 1948, record that Mr. Carlson felt it necessary, because of his position with the State College, to withdraw as chairman of the Legislative and Library Standards Committee during the coming legislative session. Mr. Fred Inkster, Oswego, became the new chairman.

The Executive Board at this meeting discussed also the advisability of having an executive secretary or publicist to take charge of getting legislative attention to the Library Development Fund during the coming legislative session. It was generally agreed that a professional publicist rather than a librarian would be best. It was moved and seconded that a committee composed of the President, Miss Stephens and Mr. Carlson be authorized to proceed to secure a publicist with power to act. Note: The publicist was never procured.

A bill for public library demonstration funds totaling \$150,000 (H. R. 244. Copy of this bill is in Secretary's files. February 2, 1949) was introduced, but did not pass, being tabled in the Ways and Means Committee. Mr. Inkster, in his report to the Executive Board, Portland, April 23, 1949, suggested that work begin immediately, looking toward introducing another bill in the next legislature. He recommended that librarians should handle the campaign for the first year and library boards and clubs should propagandize local groups and contact candidates for the legislature during the second year. He further recommended that at the next legislature volunteer lobbyists should be at work, with someone there all the time.

A release prepared by the Oregon State Library, Libraries in Oregon - Gains from Legislative Session, 1949, dated May 1949 (In secretary's files) states:

"This is only the second session at which the Oregon Library Association has attempted to secure funds to match the federal aid bill (S. 130) or to make it possible for Oregon to carry on some library demonstration work of its own in case federal aid is not forthcoming. Because the bill did not get out on the floor, some librarians are discouraged. However, it is possible to see immense gains in the approach made in 1949 as contrasted with 1947. These might be enumerated as follows:

1. There was less difficulty this year in securing sponsorship for the bill. The fact that it was introduced by nine legislators (seven Republicans and two Democrats) gave weight to the bill.
2. Advocacy of the bill by statewide organizations like the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, American Association of University Women, meant that legislators had to give it consideration.
3. More legislators confessed receiving letters about the need for library demonstration than ever before. Most important was the fact that letters were, by and large, individual requests and not of the mass pressure type.

"WHY DID THE LIBRARY DEMONSTRATION BILL NOT PASS? This question might be answered in two ways: (1) There simply were not available funds for new projects of this sort. (2) Lacking an organized lobby such as education, e.g., has, it was not possible to extract funds for which other people were at legislators' elbows, constantly making demands. ... Another session there must be better publicity for the plan."

At the annual meeting, Salem, May 7, 1949, a motion was unanimously carried that O.I.A. should sponsor the state-aid bill at the next legislature and start immediately on the campaign. This phase of state legislative action closes with an account of action by the Executive Board, Portland, December 10, 1949: "A general consideration of past programs and future action regarding the library Bill and the Legislative Committee resulted in the following: Miss Phillips moved that the Executive Board refer the present State Aid Bill to the Legislative Committee for review and revision and that the Executive Board express approval in principle of state aid for libraries ..."

No further action seeking state aid was taken until 1954. In the meantime the Library Development Committee was busy laying the ground work necessary before any further legislative effort could be made. For the record of their activity, see section on Library Development Committee.

FEDERAL LEGISLATION

The chronological outline of the Library Bill in Congress is taken from Public Libraries, v. 6, no. 4, November 1952, pp. 80-81.

79th Congress. 1946. Public Library Demonstration Bill

Senate Action

March 12, 1946

S. 1920 was introduced by Senator Lister Hill, Alabama

May 12, 1946

Hearings before a Subcommittee on Education.

June 21, 1946

Reported favorably to full Committee on Education and Labor.

July 29, 1946

Reported favorably by full committee.

Consideration on Consent Calendar passed over.

House Action

March 12, 1946

H.R. 5742 was introduced by Congresswoman Emily Taft Douglas, Illinois.

July 14-15, 1946

Hearings by House Subcommittee on Education.

Reported favorably.

Not reported out by the full committee before adjournment.

O. L. A. Action

At the annual meeting, held in Salem, May 25, 1946, it was moved, seconded and carried that the following statement in support of the bill be conveyed to the Trustees of the Oregon State Library:

"TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE OREGON STATE LIBRARY

"On March 12, 1946, a PUBLIC LIBRARY DEMONSTRATION BILL was introduced in the Congress as S. 1920 and H.R. 5742. A copy of S. 1920, which is identical in text with H.R. 5742, is enclosed.

"If enacted the PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICE DEMONSTRATION BILL will provide federal funds, which may be matched by state funds, to be used by states in providing demonstrations of adequate public library service to people now without any service, or inadequate service.

"The bill provides for a basic demonstration using \$25,000.00 per year for four years, financed entirely by federal funds; or an expanded plan, which would allow states to match an additional \$25,000.00 to \$50,000.00 of federal funds annually for four years.

"The Oregon Library Association, meeting in Salem, May 25, 1946, urges your thoughtful consideration of this bill, and respectfully requests, that if you approve of its provisions, a communication be sent at once to the Oregon delegation in Congress, stating your approval and asking cooperation in passage of the bill."

It was further moved, seconded and carried, that the following letter in support of the bill be sent to the Oregon delegation in Congress:

"The Oregon Library Association, meeting in Salem, May 25, 1946, urges your thoughtful consideration of the Public Library Service Demonstration Bill, introduced in the Senate as S.1920 and in the House as H.R. 5742.

"This bill provides Federal funds, which may be matched by state funds, to be used by states in providing demonstrations of adequate public library service to people now without any service, or inadequately served.

"Oregon, with a population of 1,089,684 in 1940, has county and city library service available to 845,849 persons, leaving 243,835 without library facilities except the mail order service of the Oregon State Library.

"Eighty-four of Oregon's libraries are in communities with populations of 1,000 or less; funds are correspondingly limited, and so is service.

"The solution in Oregon, as in many states, lies in the development of large units, county or regional libraries. The passage of the Public Library Service Demonstration Bill would make possible four years of public library service in rural areas and lay the foundations for adequate, permanent libraries at the end of that period."

The President was empowered to appoint a Committee to draft a telegram to be sent to the Senate Sub-Committee on Education holding hearings on S.1920. The following was sent (copy in Secretary's files.):

27 May 1946

Sent as night letter

Senator Elbert Thomas, Chairman
Standing Sub-Committee on Education
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

The Oregon Library Association at its annual meeting May twenty-fifth nineteen forty-six unanimously approved the provisions of S. 1920 and directed that a telegram urging its favorable consideration be sent your committee. Oregon with a population of slightly over a million in nineteen forty has no library service for approximately one-fourth its population except the mail order service of the Oregon State Library where circulation has recently increased twenty percent and registration thirty percent. County and regional libraries would provide equal privileges for country and city.

(Signed) Agnes Shields, President
Oregon Library Association

80th Congress. 1947-1948. Public Library Demonstration Bill

Senate action

January 6, 1947

S. 48 was introduced by Senators Lister Hill and George D. Aiken (Vermont)

May 16, 1947

Hearings by Subcommittee on Education and favorably reported to the full committee.

July 16, 1947

Favorably reported by the Full Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

February 25, 1948

Passed the Senate on the unanimous Consent Calendar.

House Action

March 10, 1947

H.R. 2485 was introduced by Congressman Thomas A. Jenkins (Ohio).

December 9, 1947

Hearing by Subcommittee on Education.

February 26, 1948

Reported favorably by Subcommittee.

Not reported out by the full committee.

O. I. A. Action

The Oregon Library Association meeting in Portland, May 22, 1948, passed this resolution in regard to Senate bill 48 and its companion bill in the House:

"Whereas, Oregon State, with a population of more than 1,089,684, (changed to more than a million and a half) has library service available to only 845,849 persons, except for mail order service of the Oregon State Library, and whereas, 84 of Oregon's libraries are in communities with less than 1,000 people where funds are limited, and whereas the extension of good library service to the 243,835 persons now without direct service and the improvement of existing service where funds are limited is only practical through development of county and regional libraries which local funds can not adequately support, and, whereas, this Association feels that federal aid for demonstration and for establishing new regional services, is essential for the foundation of adequate state-wide service

"Therefore be it resolved, that, for the advancement of Oregon library service, the Oregon Library Association recommends your favorable consideration, and support, of the Public Library Demonstration Bill."

81st Congress. 1949-1950. Public Library Demonstration Bill

Senate Action

January 5, 1949

S. 130 was introduced by Senators Lister Hill, George

January 30, 1949

Aiken and Paul Douglas (Illinois).

February 8, 1949

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare report the bill out favorably.

Came up on the Consent Calendar and was passed over.

House Action

January 5, 1949 H.R. 874 was introduced by Congressman Ray Madden (Ind)
January 13, 1949 H.R. 1411 was introduced by Congressman Wright
Patman (Texas)
August 19, 1949 H.R. 6059 was introduced by Congressman Augustine
B. Kelley (Pennsylvania)
February 7, 1950, Favorably reported by the Committee on Education
and Labor.
February 20, 1950 Bill granted a rule by Rules Committee
March 9, 1950 Debated for five hours in the House and defeated
161 to 164.

O.L.A. ACTION

The Legislation and Library Standards Committee, Mr. Sergeant, chairman, reported on the defeat in the House of H.R. 874, the Federal Library Demonstration Bill, by only three votes. He also reported that the Executive Board, after discussion, had decided that this was an unfavorable time to proceed with new legislation. (Minutes. Annual meeting. Portland. August 30, 1950.)

82nd Congress. 1951-1952 Library Services Bill

Senate Action

May 9, 1951 S. 1452 was introduced by Senators Hill, Aiken and Douglas.
September 17, 1951 Reported favorably by the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.
October 1, 1951 Came up on the Consent Calendar and was passed over. Came up three additional times, the last on July 3rd, and passed over.

House Action

August 16-17, 1951 Identical bills introduced by Congressman Boyd Tackett (Ark.) H.R. 5195; Tom Steed (Oklahoma) H.R. 5229; Wright Patman (Texas) H.R. 5190; Thomas Jenkins (Ohio) H.R. 5216; Hugh B. Mitchell (Washington) H.R. 5227; Carl Elliott (Alabama) H.R. 5221; Thurston Morton (Ky) H.R. 5222; and Cleveland Bailey (West Virginia) H.R. 5311.
Subcommittee selected to hold hearings.
Hearing on Library Services Bill.
Favorably reported to full committee by the Subcom.
Full committee failed to report the bill before the end of the Congress due to great pressure of labor legislation.

O. L. A. ACTION

At the annual meeting in Eugene, May 19, 1951, the Oregon Library Association went on record favoring support of the Library Services Bill; whereupon Mr. Carlson at the request of the incoming president, Miss Cora Mason, drafted and sent to Senator Gordon the following, as a night letter, in support of Senate Bill 1452:

"Senator Guy Cordon:

The following resolution is addressed to you as the senior senator from Oregon:

"Whereas the life blood of every democracy is an enlightened citizenry, whereas the public library of America, freely available to all, is one of the most effective and impartial agencies for the diffusion of information among the people, whereas 341,079 rural residents of Oregon are without local public library service of any kind whatsoever and whereas Senate Bill 1452, introduced in the Senate of the United States on May 9, 1951, provides aid to each of the States for the extension of public library service to rural areas without such services, be it resolved, in the interests of bringing library services to the unserved rural areas of Oregon, that the Oregon Library Association, assembled in convention in Eugene on May 19, 1951, whole-heartedly endorses Senate bill 1452. Be it further resolved that the Association urges the Oregon delegation in Congress to support and actively work for the passage of this bill, to the end that all citizens of Oregon may have ready access to the facts, information, and ideas required to understand the complex and difficult problems upon which, as citizens, they must form opinions and make decisions."

Signed

Wm. H. Carlson

May 22, 1951
(copy in Secretary's files)

In behalf of the Executive Committee
Oregon Library Association

The following letter, sent by the President to the Oregon delegation in Congress (in President's files) was read to the membership at the annual meeting, and approved. (statement by Cora Mason)

"The Oregon Library Association endorses the Library Services Bill
H.R. _____.

"Oregon's population is largely rural; forty-three percent of the people live outside any incorporated town. The population of incorporated towns is 862,422, but only eleven of these communities have as many as 10,000 or more. Rural and small town population is 87 percent of the total 1,521,431.

"There are 244,427 people residing in Oregon who had no local library service as of June 30, 1951. In addition to these unserved areas, there are 35 counties inadequately served, with only one county giving the minimum standard support of \$1.50 per capita, and that in Multnomah County with \$1.82 per capita.

"From these figures it is evident that if Oregon's citizens are to have adequate library service at any time within the next fifty years, some assistance will have to come from outside sources.

The financial aid proposed in H.R. _____ will make possible demonstration areas over the state where adequate service could be initiated. Once the people have known what it means they will be more willing to provide funds for its continuance. For these reasons the librarians of Oregon are in favor of this legislation, and I trust you will give it your thoughtful consideration.

Signed Cora E. Mason, President
Oregon Library Association

83d Congress. 1953-1954. Library Services Bills

Senate Action

January 7, 1953

S. 94 introduced by Messrs. Hill (Ala.), Douglas (Ill.) Aiken (Vt)

March 18, 1953

Referred to Labor and Public Welfare Committee.
S. 1368 introduced by Messrs Aiken, Carlson (Kans.) Cooper (Ky), Douglas, Hill, Ives (N. Y.), Jackson (Washington), Mansfield (Mont.), Langer (N.D.).
Referred to Labor and Public Welfare Committee.
Analysis of bill printed in Congressional Record.

House Action

January 3, 1953

H.R. 255 introduced by Mr. Elliott (Alabama)
Referred to Education and Labor Committee.

January 26, 1953

H.R. 2133 introduced by Mr. Perkins (Ky)
Referred to Education and Labor Committee.

February 23, 1953

H.R. 3379 introduced by Mr. Patman (Texas)
Referred to Education and Labor Committee.

March 16, 1953

H.R. 3980 introduced by Mr. Hagen (Minn.)
H.R. 3982 introduced by Mr. Howell (N.J.)
H.R. 3983 introduced by Mr. Jenkins (Ohio)
H.R. 3985 introduced by Mr. Kersten (Wisconsin)
H.R. 3990 introduced by Mr. Morrow (N.H.)
H.R. 3991 introduced by Mr. Perkins
H.R. 4000 introduced by Mr. Tollefson (Wn)
All referred to Education and Labor Committee.
H.R. 4027 introduced by Mr. Bailey (W. Va)
H.R. 4042 introduced by Mr. Steed (Okla.)
H.R. 4045 introduced by Miss Thompson (Mich.)
All referred to Education and Labor Committee.
H.R. 4124 introduced by Mrs. Kee (W. Va.)
Referred to Education and Labor Committee.

March 17, 1953

March 19, 1953

O.L.A. Action

At the Executive Board meeting, Salem, October 25, 1952, a discussion of what action to take regarding the support of the Library Services bills was held, but no definite action was taken. However, the Executive Board went on record saying, in the light of the library elections in Oregon of May and November, 1952, as they related to library support, that there was need for some financial support of libraries other than that given at the local level.

At the February 28, 1953, Board meeting, Portland, it was moved and duly carried that O.L.A. send the following letter, supporting the Library Services Bills, to the Oregon members of Congress:

"The Oregon Library Association endorses the Library Services Bills H.R. 255 and S. 94, bills to promote the further development of public library service in rural areas.

"Oregon's rural and small town population is 87% of the total 1,521,431. 43% of the people live outside any incorporated town. The population of incorporated towns is 862,422, but only eleven of these communities have as many as 10,000 people.

"There are 343,287 people residing in Oregon who have no local library service as of June 30, 1952. In addition to these unserved areas, 35 of Oregon's 36 counties are inadequately served from the viewpoint of what a modern library is doing. In the areas that have local library service only one county gives the minimum standard support of \$1.50 per capita, and that is Multnomah County, which gives \$1.82 per cap.

"From these figures it is evident that if Oregon's citizens are to have adequate library service during this generation some assistance will have to come from public sources outside of local taxation.

"At a meeting on October 25, 1952, the Executive Board of the Oregon Library Association went on record saying, in the light of the results of 1952 elections in Oregon, as they relate to library support, that there is need for some financing of libraries other than that given at the local level.

"The financial aid proposed in the U.S. Congress by H.R. 255 and S. 94 will make possible pilot projects over the states where adequate service could be initiated. Once the people have known what it means, at the end of the demonstration period, they would be better able to decide whether they wish to retain larger library units, and, if so, to provide funds for their continuance.

"For these reasons the librarians of Oregon are in favor of this legislation for library services, and I trust you will give it your thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully yours,

(signed) Mrs. Pauline C. Howard, President

This letter was read to the membership at the annual meeting, Bend, May 2, 1953, and, when no objections were received from the floor, it was filed with the minutes.

Prior to the convening of the second session of the 83rd Congress in January, 1954, every effort was made to contact the Oregon delegation in Congress on behalf of the Federal Libraries Services Bill and postal regulations affecting libraries. Miss Cora Miller and Mrs. Pauline C. Howard talked to Representative Angell. Miss Ebert and Mr. Whitman contacted Representative Norglad. Miss Mitchell and the Chairman of her Board talked with Representative Ellsworth. Mrs. Fleetwood arranged for a group to contact Representative Coon. Senators Gordon and Morse were not contacted, although efforts were made to do so. The Library Services Bill was shelved until such time as the re-organization of the Federal Government was completed, since the bill was related to the problem of what services were to be paid for by the Federal government and what services were to remain as State responsibilities. In the Oregon Library News the members were urged to write to their Senators and Representatives; and many of them responded.

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT FUND

At an Executive Board meeting, Salem, March 22, 1947, in a discussion of next steps for the State Aid bill, a suggestion was made that a campaign fund should be started at once; that there should be a paid fund-chairman from O.L.A. who could be on hand at the Legislature to follow the bill's progress and keep O.L.A. members informed; that different organizations, such as the A.A.U.W., should be asked to contribute to the promotion fund; that librarians could be asked to make pledges to the fund payable on the installment plan. It was moved, seconded and passed that the Board present this suggestion at the next meeting of the Association.

The membership, at the annual meeting, Seattle, September 3, 1947, passed a motion that the Executive Board of O.L.A. be empowered by the general membership to set up, collect, and administer a development fund, and that a committee be appointed to carry out this proposal. The following day the Executive Board, in Seattle, met to discuss the Library Development Fund and to carry out the instructions voted by the membership. The selection of a secretary (Fund Chairman), the matter of suitable remuneration and duties were considered. It was decided that the Secretary (Fund-Chairman) should be permitted to choose the other members of the Committee.

The Executive Board resumed consideration of the Development Fund at a meeting in Salem, March 16, 1948. After considerable discussion as to a sum that would be adequate to finance the initial phase of the project, it was moved, seconded, and carried that the Board appropriate \$150.00 for the secretaryship of the Development Fund and that Miss Eleanor Brown, Deschutes County Library, Bend, be appointed secretary. Discussion indicated that this sum would be expended for such items as hiring of a typist, paper, stamps, mimeographing, etc.

The questions of taking in money and correlation with the duties of the treasurer were discussed. It was decided that all monies should be deposited with the treasurer and kept in one account, but that the books, to be kept in such a way that they could be audited, should show the status of the Oregon Library Development Fund at any time. Accordingly Miss Brown was to be instructed to turn over any funds collected to the treasurer of O.L.A. It was moved, seconded and passed that the President instruct Miss Brown to set as her goal one-half day's wages for library workers plus contributions from interested persons and outside agencies and institutions. Mr. Fred Fleet, Klamath Falls, Trustee member, suggested that the enlistment of trustee support would be desirable.

The assistance given by Mr. Fleet to the campaign for the Oregon Library Development Fund was given special citation at the annual meeting, Portland, May 22, 1948.

Miss Brown submitted a report at the annual meeting, Portland, May 22, 1948. (In Secretary's files. A Resume Report, dated October 30, 1948, is in the President's files)

On November 12, 1948, the Fund consisted of \$532.00 and the Board voted an expression of appreciation to Miss Brown and to Mr. Carlson who had worked on the committee.

A letter dated November 15, 1948, from the President of O.L.A. to the membership stated that the fund consisted of \$552.35. (Letter in State Library files: O.L.A. - 1947-48 Officers.) The above amount does not include the \$150.00 allowed for operational expenses during the initial phase of the project, as this money was collected and used by Miss Brown before turning over the remainder to the treasurer.

A letter of May 15, 1948, from the Staff Association of the Library Association of Portland, in which questions were asked concerning the Oregon Library Development Fund, was read by Mr. Blodgett. This letter and Mr. Blodgett's interpretations are available in the President's files. (Minutes. Annual meeting. Portland. May 22, 1948)

(Note: The Manual - History Committee could not locate this correspondence January, 1955) A letter from Miss Eleanor Brown dated May 17, 1948, to Miss Eleanor Stephens, State Librarian, lists the questions raised. In files of State Library: O.L.A. - 1947-48 Officers.

When the proposal of the regional library development project was presented to the membership August 30, 1950, Portland, it contained: "A fund of \$1,000 was proposed to care for publication of the reports, expense of meeting, and conferences and consultant services, to be shared by state and provincial agencies." Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, August 29, 1950, Portland, the membership voted a contribution of \$100 from the general treasury and \$100 from the Oregon Library Development Fund.

At the same meeting the membership voted to empower the O.L.A. Executive Board, in case such action became necessary, to spend Library Development Funds or general treasury funds for work with the legislature, to promote the federal library bill as well as the regional development program.

Shortly before the annual meeting held in Eugene, May 19, 1951, Miss Elizabeth Findly, the President, received a letter from Mr. Kenneth Coates, Chairman of the Friends of the Washington County Library, requesting a grant of \$250.00 from the Oregon Library Association to help establish county-wide service in Washington County. They felt there was hope of receiving an appropriation of not more than \$20,000.00 to start operation of a county library. Realizing that there was great danger in starting service on such a restricted basis, they thought that one way to avoid the danger would be to have an adequate publicity program to inform the people of the county. The \$250.00 would be used to hire a good publicity firm to do the work. It was their feeling that the county court would look with disfavor on the use of public funds for this purpose.

The matter was presented to the Oregon Library Association at the annual meeting held in Eugene, and the request was denied. It was the consensus that this would not be a wise expenditure of Library Development Funds. Some felt this to be a negative approach to the problem; others were strongly of the opinion that it would be establishing a bad precedent; i.e., expending money for the use of one county, rather than the state as a whole.

(Letter from Mr. Coates to Elizabeth Findly, May 3, 1951. Letter from Miss Findly to Mr. Coates, May 25, 1951. In President's files.)

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At the fall meeting of the Executive Board held in conjunction with P.N.L.A. in Spokane, August 31, 1951, it authorized reimbursement from the Library Development Fund, to members of the Library Development committee attending committee meetings to the extent of expenses incurred for hotel and cheapest means of transportation.

Note: The Manual - History Committee was unable to locate minutes of this meeting, but the information is given in a letter from Cora Mason to the Executive Board members, September 15, 1951. (In President's files)

Because the Library Development Fund was rapidly becoming exhausted, and a legislative campaign was approaching, the Executive Board, Salem, October 26, 1953, authorized spending up to \$200.00 from the General fund to help defray the expenses of this committee.

MARCIA M. HILL SCHOLARSHIP

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IN MEMORIAM
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With quiet sincerity, complete efficiency, and a gracious and understanding spirit, Marcia M. Hill performed her duties, providing an example and an inspiration to her co-workers. She served as Librarian of the Josephine County Library, Grants Pass, Oregon, from February 1, 1938, until October 16, 1943, when she became School Reference Librarian on the staff of the Oregon State Library, which position she held until her death, October 4, 1952. Her passing was a great loss to the State Library, which she served so well, and to the entire library profession.

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Eleanor Brown, Librarian
Deschutes County Library

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A scholarship fund, as a means of recruiting was first given consideration in 1949. When general discussion brought out the difficult and many technical problems involved in handling a scholarship, the fluctuating state of the O.L.A. treasury, the general consensus was that a contribution to established scholarships would be in order but that no independent one would be feasible. (Minutes. Executive Board. Portland. December 10, 1949)

The Association's Recruitment Committee in its report made at the annual meeting, Eugene, May 19, 1951, considered the desirability of aiding young people who might wish to enter the library profession and included in its recommendations:

"Financial Aid for Library Science Students:-

"Loans: Many young people, capable, intelligent and otherwise eligible are unable to afford the fifth year necessary to earn a library science degree.

"It is suggested that the Oregon Library Association and/or the larger library systems start such a loan fund. The Association for example, might increase its dues to \$1.50 and use the surcharge for this purpose. Gifts to the fund could be encouraged and in time enough increment would be available to begin the loan in a modest way. It is even possible that certain financial institutions might sponsor such a loan.

"Scholarships: A variation of the above proposal with funds being raised in a similar manner. It is possible that donors might be more easily reached through this appeal than through the loan fund."

(The complete report is in the Secretary's files)

The feasibility of establishing a scholarship for an Oregon person desirous of preparing for the library profession was again brought to the membership at the Ashland annual meeting, May 10, 1952. A motion was made and carried that the president appoint a committee to approve a Library Scholarship from O.L.A. funds and to make a report to the Executive Board.

The special committee was appointed in the fall of 1952; Eleanor Brown, Deschutes County Library, Bend, served as chairman. During the year 1952-53 the committee worked out the details of, and made arrangements for, the scholarship to be established at the University of Washington School of Librarianship. The Executive Board, Portland, February 28, 1953, voted that a scholarship fund be established and an annual award of \$150 be made if an acceptable candidate could be found. To establish this fund, it was voted to take \$150 from the general fund. The future financing of the scholarship was discussed at some length, and it was the consensus that the Board should refer this matter to the membership for decision.

The chairman gave her report to the membership at the general meeting, Bend, May 2, 1953. To finance the scholarship, the membership voted to increase the dues of all active members who receive more than \$1,000 a year to \$2.00; the dues of those active members who received less than \$1,000, trustee, institutional, and other memberships were to remain at \$1.00. It was also voted that the mechanics of the budget on the scholarship should be left to the Executive Board.

At the Bend meeting, the scholarship chairman made the motion that this fund be named the "Marcia M. Hill Scholarship" in honor of the life of service given by Miss Hill to promote the cause of library work. The motion was seconded and carried.

A number of voluntary contributions were made to the fund. The first financial account of the fund shows:

Balance on hand May 20, 1953	\$ 10.00
(Travel expenses refunded by Gladys Boughton, Univ. of Washington School of Librarianship)	
Transferred from General Fund	150.00
Contributions	50.00
Balance October 26, 1953	<u>\$ 210.00</u>

An allocation to the Scholarship Fund of fifty cents from the payment of dues of those members paying the \$2.00 membership fee was voted at the Executive Board meeting, Salem, October 26, 1953.

No award was made in 1953, because the desired candidate was unable to accept the scholarship, due to unforeseen circumstances. In 1954, the award was made to Miss Janet Flower, who did not complete the course, and in accordance with the regulations, returned the money.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

At the Executive Board meeting of February 28, 1953, the President reported that honorary life memberships had been mentioned as a means of honoring certain retired members of O.L.A. It was decided to put this question to a membership vote at the annual meeting at Bend.

The mechanics of selecting recipients of honorary life memberships was discussed. It was originally suggested that the Membership Committee, or a sub-committee thereof, make recommendations. This suggestion proved impractical because members of this committee might be rather new to the profession in Oregon; it seemed desirable to have the selection made by persons who had worked in the State for some time. Accordingly, in February, 1953, the President appointed a special committee, Elizabeth Findly, University of Oregon Library, and Eleanor Stephens, Oregon State Library, to study this matter.

At the Bend general business meeting, May 2, 1953, Miss Findly reported for the committee and submitted the following resolution, which was adopted by the membership:

"Honorary life memberships in the Oregon Library Association

may be awarded to honor any person who retires from the

profession while a member in good standing of the Association.

This recognition should be given to a librarian for past performance who has

- (1) Given valuable service to the Association, or
- (2) who has made an outstanding contribution to librarianship in the state of Oregon."

In view of the adoption of the above resolution, the committee presented the names of three persons, which had informally been presented to the Executive Board for approval, who would qualify for life memberships: Miss Mirpah Blair, Oregon State Library; Miss Lucia Haley, Oregon State College, and Miss Nell Unger, Library Association of Portland. It was moved and carried that O.L.A. grant by resolution life memberships to these three persons, it being understood that in the future a constitutional amendment would be necessary. Such an amendment was approved at the annual meeting, Corvallis, May 1, 1954.

The procedure of selection of candidates for honorary life membership as provided in the "Procedure Manual" is:

"Before the final Executive Board meeting, the Secretary contacts the State Librarian and the Director of Libraries of the Oregon State System of Higher Education for nominees for honorary life membership awards. * The Secretary presents these names to the Executive Board for consideration.

"The Executive Board nominates individuals to be awarded honorary life memberships. The names are then submitted to the membership at the annual meeting."

*Note.- These two officials should know the names of any persons who may be retiring and who had rendered outstanding service to libraries and librarianship in the State. Suggestions may come from any source.

OREGON LIBRARY NEWS

The need for communication was recognized from the very beginning of the Association. At the Executive Board meeting, December 28, 1940, it was suggested that the PMLA Bulletin give space to news of State Associations and that if this required more space and work, that the associations contribute to the expense of publishing the Bulletin rather than try to set up their own publications. Nothing seems to have come from this suggestion.

January 24, 1942 (Minutes. Midwinter meeting. Salem) Miss J. Elizabeth Olson suggested a news bulletin as a means of exchanging points of view. At this time the State Librarian offered a page in the State Library's "Letter to Librarians" for this purpose, and members were urged to present ideas and send in their questions.

The first communication issued by the Association was the News Letter, August 5, 1942, signed by Hugh Morrow, President, and Josephine Baumgartner, Secretary. (In Secretary's files)

At the special meeting of O.L.A., Spokane, June 28, 1944, when discussion centered on forwarding plans to improve library service in Oregon, with immediate attention directed to post-war planning, the inclusion of a trustee's page in the state library news letter was suggested. At the Executive Board meeting, Salem, February 28, 1945, the President reported that there had been two issues of the trustees' bulletin with very favorable reactions. Copies of the Trustees' bulletins are in the Oregon State Library.

The regular publication of an O.L.A. news bulletin had its beginning at the annual meeting, Portland, August 30, 1950, when the President spoke of the need for a newsletter to the membership containing pertinent general, federal, and state information with names of organization officers included. It was further suggested that this bulletin be issued irregularly as need arose, no longer relying upon the State Library for all information. A motion was made and carried that we have this letter at irregular intervals, once yearly at least. The Publicity Committee undertook the publication of this news letter; the first issue appeared April 27, 1951, as Special Bulletin No. 1. With the first issue the news letter began reporting work of the A.L.A. Washington office.

At the Ashland meeting, May 10, 1952, the membership voted that the minutes of the meeting be incorporated in the Newsletter. Minutes of all later meetings both those of the annual meeting and of the Executive Board, have been published in the Newsletter. Later Oregon Library News. A file of this issue of the Newsletter and issues of its successor, Oregon Library News, and the mimeographed committee reports, first done for the 1953 meeting at Bend, give a rather complete record of the Association's activities since 1952.

By this time, several problems connected with the issuance of the Newsletter were apparent. There was confusion in names and numbering of the issues; liaison between the Executive Board, Committee chairmen, President, and the Chairman of the Publicity Committee was ineffective. The increased size and mailing list had become a burdensome load for one individual to carry; and the problem of the prompt issuance of the post-conference issue with a new and untried publicity chairman assuming the task.

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During 1952-1953 consideration was given to the solution of these problems. The Executive Board, Salem, October 25, 1952, officially adopted the name Oregon Library News for its publication, and decided to number the forthcoming issue Vol. 1, No. 1 of the new title. At the same meeting it was suggested that the Publicity Committee serve from July to July in order to expedite the publication of the post-conference issue.

At the Executive Board meeting, Salem, October 26, 1953, the chairman of the Library Development Committee was asked to help edit the information from the A.L.A. Washington Newsletter and furnish information concerning the activities of the Library Development Committee.

The matter of financial assistance has arisen at various times. The Executive Board, Salem, January 27, 1951, authorized payment of expenses incident to publishing the Newsletter and membership list at the rate of \$1.00 per hour.

In 1953, February 28, Portland, the Publicity Chairman was authorized to employ help as needed. Five hours of help, at \$.85 an hour were used. The minutes of the Executive Board, Salem, October 26, 1953, state that up to \$10.00 per issue would be allowed to hire help for the mimeographing.

Policy on distribution had also come before the Executive Board. At Salem, October 25, 1952, a motion was made, and carried, that O.L.A. extend the mailing list to include any public libraries where the librarian did not belong to O.L.A. In Salem, October 26, 1953, the Board formally approved the motion that the Association send one extra copy of Oregon Library News to the President and to the Secretary for the official files, three copies to the State Library for cataloging, and an undetermined number to the State Library to be used for exchange with other library associations and for the use of the Library Development Committee. It also approved sending three to five copies to each county on an experimental basis to be used for publicity, and voted to pay for 125 copies to be used for this purpose.

An O.L.A. membership directory, compiled by the Treasurer has usually appeared each year in one issue of Oregon Library News.

<u>Record of Issues</u>			<u>Distribution</u>
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1944, November 16		Trustees' Bulletin, No. 1	2 p.
1945, January 18		Trustees' Bulletin, No. 2	2 p.
1945, April 19		Trustees' Bulletin, No. 3	3 p.
1945, November 15		Trustees' Bulletin, V. 2, no. 1	2 p.
1946, April 8		Trustees' Bulletin, V. 2, no. 2	1 leaf
1946, November 7		Trustees' Bulletin, V.3, no. 1	2 leaves
1947, February 7		Trustees' Bulletin, V. 3, no. 2	1 leaf

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1951, September 19			5 p.	
1952, January 18		Newsletter	5 p.	300
1952, February 28			5 p. (legal)	300
1952, April 4			7 p.	" 300
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1954, February	v. 2, no. 2,	Whole no. 6	(new type) 7 p	387
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VI 1948, May 22	Executive Board, September 4, 1947, Seattle Executive Board, March 16, 1948, Salem Reed College, Portland (Dinner meeting at Multnomah Hotel)		
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VII 1949, May 7	Chamber of Commerce, Salem	
	Executive Board, December 10, 1949, Portland	
	Executive Board, August 29, 1950, Portland	
VIII 1950, August 30	Public Library, Portland (In conjunction with P.N.L.A.)	91
	Executive Board, January 27, 1951, Salem	
IX 1951, May 19	University of Oregon, Erb Memorial Student Union, Eugene	app. 150
	Executive Board, May 19, 1951, Eugene	
	Executive Board, August 30, 1951, Spokane (minutes lost)	
	Executive Board, January 5, 1952, Salem	
X 1952, May 9, 10	Ashland, Oregon	91
	Executive Board, May 10, 1952, Ashland	
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XI 1953, May 1, 2	Deschutes County Library, Bend.	112
	Executive Board, May 2, Bend	
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	Executive Board, October 26, 1953, Salem	
	Executive Board, January 9, 1954, Salem	
	Executive Board, April 29, 1954, Corvallis	
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ANNUAL MEETING

During the first ten years of the Association five annual meetings were held in conjunction with the P.N.I.A. Conference. The meetings of 1942, 1944, 1946, 1948, and 1949 were held independently. Beginning with 1951 all meetings have been held independently.

In 1942 there was an expression that a two-day meeting, to allow for conferences would be appreciated by those who come from a distance. (Minutes, Midwinter meeting. Salem. January 24, 1942)

A date in May has proved to be most acceptable. See the Table of meetings. The exact length of each meeting has varied slightly. (See Programs in Secretary's files); The general development has been for approximately one and a half days. The Ashland meeting, 1952, was the first one and a half day meeting. Sectional breakfasts were held to give an opportunity for special interest groups to confer. The groups were: School, college, and public librarians. Special meetings of other groups and workshops have been held in conjunction with the O.I.A. annual meeting from time to time.

Mimeographed reports.

Mimeographed committee reports were first distributed at the 1953 meeting in Bend, at the registration desk. Many favorable comments were made concerning the procedure which shortened the business meeting, as committee chairmen could then make much briefer oral reports.

Registration fee.

A registration fee was first charged at the annual conference, Bend, 1953; It was 50¢ and was sufficient to pay the expenses of the conference, with a small surplus. In 1954 the registration fee was 75¢.

Exhibitors.

Exhibitors came to the Bend meeting, 1953, for the first time. No charge was made. The exhibits were quite a success and it was decided by the Executive Board to invite exhibitors to the Corvallis meeting. This time the exhibitors were charged a fee.

Highlights of Annual Meetings

1942. Salem. January 24

First program meeting held by O.L.A.

Panel discussion: Topic - "Suitable program of activities for O.L.A."
Katherine Anderson, Mabel Doty, Marcia Hill, Mrs. Evelyn Jacobs,
Mrs. Wilma Koehler, Elizabeth Olson, Hugh Morrow, Chairman
"Changing reading habits and library statistics"
Miss Eleanor Touhey, Library Association of Portland
Report on progress of Victory Book Campaign - Miss Eleanor Stephens
"Vocational training for national defense" - O. I. Paulson
State director of vocational training for defense workers.

Luncheon guests: Charles A. Sprague, Governor

Dr. Carl S. Knopf, President of Willamette University
Rex Putnam, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

1944. Salem. May 6

"Responsibility of Selective Service to men released from the Armed
Forces" - George E. Sandy, U. S. Corps of Engineers, Chief Veteran
Personnel, Division Selective Service

Report on Experimental Institute on Demobilization and Readjustment,
Chicago, Illinois, March 4-5, 1944, by Mrs. Gretchen Krief Schenk,
Librarian, Washington State Library, Olympia

"Demobilization and the Library: Oregon's part" - Miss Eleanor Stephens,
Librarian, Oregon State Library, Salem

Luncheon: "The Author in Wartime" by Mrs. Helen Hedrick, Medford author

1946. Salem. May 25

"Certification for Librarians" by Neva LeBlond, Umatilla County Library
"Library Service Demonstration Act" by Miss Eleanor Stephens, Ore.St.Lib.
Recommendations of Legislative Committee, by Hugh Morrow, Salem Pub. Lib.
"Professional Pride and Pressure Politics" by Dr. Peter H. Odegard,
President, Reed College, Portland
Panel for discussion of address:

Mr. Fred C. Inkster, Director, League of Oregon Cities
Trustee, Clackamas County Library

Mr. Forrest V. Stewart, Executive Secretary, Oregon State Employees
Association

Mr. William H. Carlson, Chairman

Director of Libraries, Oregon State System of Higher Education

Luncheon: "Centennial Oregon Boundary Settlement (June 15th)"

--Mr. David C. Dundyway, State Archivist

1948. Reed College, Portland, May 22

First meeting held outside of Salem, except for those meetings held
in conjunction with P.N.L.A.

First dinner meeting (a third session)

1948. Reed College (continued)

"Current Developments in Library World:

Trends toward larger units of service

Public library demonstrations to date" - Maryan Reynolds, Librarian

Washington State Library, Olympia.

"Planning at National, State, and Local Levels"

Ivy Grover, Deschutes County Library

Eleanor Brown, Deschutes County Library

Eleanor Stephens, Oregon State Library

"Experimenting with an Audio-Visual Program - The University of Oregon's

Audio-Visual Service" a paper prepared by R. C. Swank and read by

Don L. Hunter, University of Oregon Library.

P.M. Free period for visits to libraries, book stores, etc.

Dinner: "Research Problems of the Regional Author"

--Dorothy Johansen, Reed College

"We Called it Culture"

--Robert Ormand Case, Oregon author.

(Note on program: "Save half a day's pay for the Oregon Library
Development Fund")

1949. Salem, May 7

Panel discussion at lunch:

"Historical Sources" - Moderator: Claire Warner Churchill

Verne Bright, Oregon author

Martin Schmitt, Oregon author and Curator of Special Collections

University of Oregon Library

County Librarians workshop held in Salem, May 6.

1951. Eugene, May 19

First time O.L.A. had theme for program.

Theme: "Let's Develop"

Discussion: "Development of Oregon Libraries"

1. Why we need to develop

---Small schools - Dorothy Neil, Molalla Union High School

---Small public libraries - Mrs. Josephine Matsler,

Springfield Public Library

2. If we develop larger units - Miss Marjuel Mitchell,

Roseburg Public Library

3. And we hope to develop - Mrs. Eva A. Moore, Tigard, Oregon

4. How we might develop - Mr. Carl Hintz, Librarian,

University of Oregon Library

Luncheon: "Romance of the Oregon Country" - Marshall N. Dana,

Assistant to President of U. S. National Bank

Former editor of Oregon Journal

1952. Ashland, May 9, 10

Firsts: Sectional breakfasts

More than a one-day meeting (Friday night and Saturday)

1952. Ashland (continued)

Theme: "Our American Heritage"
"Libraries as Seen by a Trustee" -

Eric Allen, President
Jackson County Library Board
"This American People" by Gerald Johnson, a review by
Dr. Arthur Kreisman, Associate Prof. Of Eng. and Languages, S.O.C.E.

Luncheon: "Shakespearean Festival and Vining Repertory
Mr. Angus Bowmer, Professor of English, S.O.C.E.
"Visual Southern Oregon History - Jacksonville Museum"
Mrs. Myrtle Lee, Curator

Saturday P.M. - Tour of libraries and Jackson County Museum

Saturday night: Vining Repertory play Arsenic and Old Lace, Lithia Theater

1953. Bend. May 1, 2.

Firsts: Registration fee
Exhibits

Report by President on year's work of O.L.A.
Mimeographed committee reports
Honorary Life Memberships conferred upon three former members

Theme: "Oregon Looks Ahead"
"Wonderful World of Books"

Miss Eleanor Stephens, Oregon State Library
"What Library Service Would Mean to Rural Women"
Mrs. Edgar Leming, Cornelius, Oregon

Sectional breakfasts

Panel discussion - led by Carl W. Hintz
--Library Development Committee report

County Library workshop, May 1

1954. Corvallis. April 30, May 1

Firsts: Full half-day session devoted to special sections.
Exhibitors' tea

Theme: "Oregon Libraries in Action"
Excellent entertainment furnished by staffs of Oregon State College
and Corvallis Public Library.

Report by Library Development Committee and discussion of problems
related to Library Development Program.
Sectional meeting

"Taxation Problems and the Library" - Mr. Samuel B. Stewart
Oregon State Tax Commission
Panel: "How Citizens and Librarians May Improve their Libraries"
Mr. E.L. Callahan, Moderator

Mrs. Floyd Edwards, Linn County Friends of the Library
Mrs. Ross Slyter, Tillamook County Library
Mrs. Dorothy H. Thornton, President, Oregon Division
American Association of University Women

"Favorable Legislation - How do we Get It?"
State Senator Robert D. Holmes, Chairman, Senate Com. on Education

1954. Corvallis (continued)

Dinner Guests:

Dr. Charles D. Byrne, Chancellor, Oregon State System of Higher Educ.
Board of Trustees of Oregon State Library
Dr. Rex Putnam, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
Mr. Bernard Van Horn, Librarian, Library Association of Portland
Mr. Stewart Holbrook, Oregon Author
Miss Eleanor Stephens, Librarian, Oregon State Library
Dr. Strand, President, Oregon State College

Address by Mr. Stewart Holbrook.

Pre-convention Day - Public and County Librarians.

ARCHIVES

It was moved that the State Archives serve as the official depository for the permanent materials of the Oregon Library Association, not in active use. The motion was seconded and carried.

(Minutes. Executive Board. Salem. October 25, 1952)

On October 25, 1953, a special committee composed of the President A. A. Whitman, Past-president Mrs. Pauline C. Howard, and the Secretary, Miss Cora Miller met to sort and revise the President's files. The correspondence was arranged under subject headings. Part of the material will be sent to the Archives. (Minutes. Executive Board. Salem. October 26, 1953)

DUES

At the first meeting, Timberline, June 14, 1940, the dues were set at fifty cents for legislative work, postage, etc.

The 1943 dues were not collected, except former members, on decision of the Executive Board, and the 1942 dues were extended to cover both 1942 and 1943. (Treasurer's report, May 3, 1944. In Secretary's files.)

At the Executive Board meeting, Salem, October 2, 1945, the Treasurer asked a definite statement as to the date dues became payable. It was decided that dues should be payable January 1st, and that members should be notified.

Dues were raised to \$1.00 by amending the By-laws at the annual meeting, Seattle, September 3, 1947. They remained at this amount until 1953, when the Marcia M. Hill Scholarship was established, which necessitated sound financing.

Accordingly, at the annual meeting, Bend, May 2, 1953, the membership voted to raise the dues:

Annual dues for all active members who receive a salary
of less than \$1000 per year shall be one dollar.

The dues of those receiving more than \$1000 shall be two dollars.

Trustee, institutional, and other memberships shall be
one dollar per year.

At the same meeting it was moved, seconded and carried that the mechanics of the budget on the scholarship be left to the Executive Board.

(See Marcia M. Hill Scholarship)

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GAVEL

At the banquet, at the Bend meeting, May 1, 1953, Mr. Ainsley A. Whitman, Librarian of Willamette University and President-elect of the O.L.A., presented to the Association a gavel. This gavel had been made in the Salem High School. Four Oregon woods were used in its construction: myrtle, walnut, birch, maple.

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STATIONERY

In 1952 the question of O.L.A. letterhead stationery arose.

It was moved, seconded, and passed that letterheads and envelopes be printed without officer names (Minutes. Exedutive Board. Salem. January 5, 1952.)

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SCHOOL LIBRARIANS' SECTION

The constitution of the American Association of School Librarians, a division of ALA, provides that the representative to the State Assembly shall be in this ranking order: (1) The president of an autonomous organization of school librarians, (2) The president of a department of school librarians associated with the state education association, or (3) The president of an organization of school librarians associated with the state library association.

In 1951 Oregon had none of these. At the meeting of the OIA in Eugene in May of that year, a representative of school librarians appeared before the convention and asked that a school section of OIA be formed. The matter was not explained clearly, and the membership went on record as being willing to welcome such a section after it formed and presented its plan.

At the OIA meeting in Ashland in May, 1952, the school librarians present met at breakfast, formed a section with Mrs. Laurel Hjelts as chairman. They were formally recognized at the executive board meeting following the general session.

In June, 1953, the Oregon Education Association granted departmental status to school librarians. This gives them greater prestige in the organization as well as financial support, and the president becomes the representative to the AASL State Assembly. This department wishes to work closely with the OIA. At the Bend meeting, 1953, the school section voted to continue its existence as the contact between the two groups, and the request was made that the chairman of the school section be invited to meetings of the OIA executive board. This was presented to Mr. Whitman informally, and the present chairman of the school section was appointed member-at-large of the executive board.

Prepared by: Isabel Goodnough, Chairman

School Section OIA 1953-54

RELATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

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American Library Association

August 29, 1941, at Victoria, a motion was made and carried that the Oregon State Library Association apply for chapter affiliation with the A.L.A. However, Article IV, Sec. 2 of the Oregon Library Association's constitution specified that the president of O.L.A. should be the A.L.A. Councilor. Inasmuch as the president's term was for oneyear and the A.L.A. By-Laws provided that all A.L.A. councilors should be chosen for four years, it was necessary to amend the Constitution. The amendment was passed at the Midwinter meeting, Salem, January 24, 1942; it provided for the election of a councilor for a term of four years, with provisions for appointing a substitute or giving proxy. The secretary was then instructed to apply for chapter affiliation with A.L.A.

A Newsletter, dated August 5, 1942, announced to the membership that a letter dated July 1, 1942, received from A.L.A. headquarters contained the following paragraph: "Upon recommendation of the Committee on Chapters, the Oregon Library Association is now established as a chapter of A.L.A."

By constitutional amendment, annual meeting, Salem, May 25, 1946, the A.L.A. Councilor was made a member of the O.L.A. Executive Board.

October 25, 1952, at Salem, a letter from A.L.A. regarding their plans for redesignation of chapters was read. The Executive Board instructed the President to reply that O.L.A. would apply for formal redesignation as a chapter. At the following Board meeting, Portland, February 28, 1953, a communication was read to the effect that A.L.A. had suspended action on A.L.A. chapters until the mechanics of affiliation could be worked out.

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The Oregon Library Association has contributed to the support of the A.L.A. Washington Office. At the Executive Board meeting, Portland, December 10, 1949, the President presented the request from A.L.A. for a two-year contribution to a proposed \$5,000 fund to continue the Washington, D. C., Public Relations Office to promote the Library Demonstration Bill. One hundred dollars from each state was requested. It was proposed and voted that a \$50 contribution from the O.L.A. Development Fund be sent at that time, with a request to members of the Association for voluntary contributions at the August 29, 1950, meeting, with the understand that contributions received beyond \$50 could be returned to the O.L.A. Development Fund. In 1951, Eugene, May 19, the membership at the General Assembly voted to send \$100 from the general fund, for the support of the Washington, D. C. Office.

Information sent from the Washington Office in the Washington Newsletter has been edited for inclusion in the Oregon Library News, and its predecessor Newsletter.

Pacific Northwest Library Association

At the OLA Midwinter meeting, Salem, January 24, 1942, there was a panel discussion on possible activities of the Oregon Library Association. In summarizing, the President, Mr. Morrow, brought out the fact that though there was some overlapping of O.L.A. and P.N.L.A., the welfare of Oregon libraries was of primary importance to O.L.A. At the same meeting a letter from Miss Stockett, President of P.N.L.A., was read, requesting a non-officer member of O.L.A. as a representative on the board of P.N.L.A. The Executive Board was authorized to select a non-officer member to represent the O.L.A. on the P.N.L.A. Board of Directors. The Executive Board, Salem, January 24, 1942, appointed Miss Lucia Haley to this position.

The membership, at the annual meeting, Seattle, August 28, 1942, upon recommendation of the Executive Board, same date, voted a constitutional amendment to provide for the election of the P.N.L.A. Representative. This amendment was necessary because the O.L.A. constitution provided that the Association should be represented on the P.N.L.A. Board of Directors by its President, whose term was for one year and the P.N.L.A. By-laws, Article 4, Section 3, provided that the member be elected to serve on the Board of Directors for two years.

In 1951-52, when there was much discussion in P.N.L.A. of inter-regional relations, the Executive Board, Salem (January 5, 1952) approved a motion to recommend that the P.N.L.A. representative be a past president, preferably the junior past president. On May 10, 1952, at the Ashland annual meeting, the membership voted to go on record as favoring the recommendation of having as P.N.L.A. Representative an "informed" member of O.L.A.

For expenses of the P.N.L.A. Representative, See Procedure Manual -- Treasurer.

In 1945, at Salem, October 2, the Executive Board approved a P.N.L.A. resolution proposing that a research foundation be asked to investigate working conditions, salaries, etc., in the library field, comparing them to such conditions in similar professions. The report of the P.N.L.A. Representative, 1944-1946, records that A.L.A. requested that we delay action pending the outcome of their own project along this line ... The P.N.L.A. Board requested that the Pacific Northwest region be used as a field for intensive study if the sampling method were employed.

O.L.A. has contributed financial support to the P.N.L.A. project of the regional library development program, set up in Olympia, May, 1950. Following the defeat of the Federal Library Demonstration Bill, the P.N.L.A. Committee proposed this regional approach through the extension of publicity, strengthening state organizations and the bibliographic center, and attempting to make libraries educational centers. A fund of \$1000 was proposed to care for publication of reports, expense of meetings and conferences and consultation services, to be shared by state and provincial agencies. To this fund the Oregon Library Association contributed \$100 from the general treasury and \$100 from the Oregon Library Development Fund. (Minutes. General Assembly. Portland. Aug. 30, 1950)

The following committees have cooperated with P.N.L.A. Committees, and usually the chairman has been a member of the P.N.L.A. committee:

Oregon Library Development Committee
 Committee on Oregon Authors
 Adult Education Committee
 Legislation and Library Standards Committee

Sectional Library Associations

At the Executive Board meeting, October 2, 1945, Miss Eleanor Brown asked the Board to consider a plan whereby sectional library organizations (e.g., Central Oregon Library Association) might secure some connection with O.L.A. It was recommended that such organizations petition for affiliation and the Constitutional Revision Committee be instructed to prepare enabling legislation.

Miss Wirpah Blair and Mr. Hugh Morrow were appointed to this committee. At the annual meeting, Salem, May 25, 1946, the Constitution was amended to read:

Article III, Section 1:

Any person, library association, or institution interested in library work may become a member and be entitled to all its privileges upon payment of dues as provided in the By-laws.

Article V, Section 2: Executive Board.

There shall be an Executive Board consisting of the officers named in Section 1 of this article, the retiring president, one library trustee, the president of each library association holding an active membership in the Oregon Library Association, one member-at-large (not an executive) to be appointed by the President, and the Oregon Library Association representatives in the American Library Association Council and the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association.

Article III, Section 2. Voting privileges.

Governing boards of libraries and library associations, through a designated representative, may have one vote on all questions which come before the Association.

At the annual meeting, Bend, May 2, 1953, the By-laws, Article II, DUES, Section 1, was amended to read: "... Trustee, institutional, and other memberships shall be one dollar per year."

Audio-Visual Association of Oregon

In a letter of March 12, 1953, the Audio-Visual Association of Oregon expressed its wish that O.L.A. appoint a special committee to study its publication "Minimum Standards for Instructional Materials Programs in Oregon Schools," and to report by January, 1954, recommendations or suggestions for additions or changes. This special committee was appointed. (Minutes. Annual meeting. Bend. May 2, 1953)

Oregon Education Association

The O.L.A. president read a letter from James T. Hamilton, Chairman, Federal Legislative Committee, Oregon Education Association, asking that the Oregon Library Association send a letter to Presidential candidates Dewey and Stassen concerning federal aid to education. The President announced that he had replied that he would read the communication at the annual meeting, but that it would be too late to take action; he informed Mr. Hamilton that O.L.A. had a legislative program, also, and expressed hope that we might have reciprocal cooperation. (Minutes. General Assembly. Portland. May 22, 1948.)

Oregon Elementary Principals Association
Joint Committee on School Instructional Materials Centers

The Executive Board, Portland, February 28, 1953, voted to recommend to the State Study Committee of the Oregon Elementary Principals Association, Joint Committee on School Instructional Materials Centers that a member of O.L.A. be appointed to serve on that Study Committee.

CARE Book Program

Two CARE book packages have been purchased by the Association. The O.L.A. Executive Board, December 10, 1949, Portland, voted to express approval of support of the CARE Book Program. At the annual meeting, August 30, 1950, Portland, the President outlined briefly the history of the CARE program for raising funds for books for devastated areas in Europe; the motion was made and carried that a \$10 package be purchased from the general fund, and voluntary contributions were solicited to increase the amount. \$20.00 was sent.

CITIZENS' GROUPS

In 1949 Miss Stephens brought to the attention of the Executive Board the Oregon Citizens' movements furthering library development, notably Washington County and Marion County, and proposed a vote of commendation to Mrs. Ruth Powers, Chairman of the Reading Committee, Oregon State Federation of Women's Clubs, for the fine support given to promoting libraries. (Minutes. Executive Board. Portland. December 10, 1949)

In 1952, January 5, Salem, the minutes of the Executive Board meeting show that the Legislative Committee members felt that the establishment of Friends of the Library on a state-wide basis was a desirable objective; it was envisaged that this state group be formed from local level committees. Miss Stephens recommended that this plan be brought before the membership at the Ashland meeting. At the general meeting, Ashland, the Chairman of the Legislative committee recommended that a Friends of the Library group on a state-wide basis be established, both because laymen needed to be educated as to the need for state aid and because O.L.A. was not strong enough within itself to bring about the desired results. The membership referred the question of establishing such a group to the Executive Board for action.

In 1953-54, President Ainsley A. Whitman wrote to trustees and friends of libraries in each county and attempted to provide for the development of a County Area Committee in each County of the State.

O. L. A. CONSTITUTION

Chronology

- Adopted: August 29, 1951
- Revised: Amended August, 1942.
- Revised: Amended May 6, 1944
- Revised: Amended May 25, 1946
- Revised: Amended September 3, 1947
- Printed, May, 1952, as amended September 3, 1947.

400 copies printed by Salem High School shop under supervision of Isabel Goodnough, and distributed to members.

Constitutional Amendments

- 1942 - A.L.A. Councilor. Made an elected member.
P.N.L.A. Representative. Made an elected member.

- 1944 - A.L.A. Councilor. Revision of 1942 amendment.
P.N.L.A. Representative. Revision of 1942 amendment.
Elections. Provision to hold election by mail if annual meeting is not held.
Conference year. Definition expanded to provide for year in case annual meeting is not held.
Candidates. Provision for elections of A.L.A. Councilor and P.N.L.A. Representative.

- 1946 - A.L.A. Councilor. Made a member of the Executive Board.
P.N.L.A. Representative. Made a member of the Executive Board.
President of each library association holding an active membership in O.L.A. made a member of the Executive Board.
Divisional library association membership provided.
Voting privileges provided for divisional library association membership.
Legislative Committee and Library Standards Committee combined into Legislative and Library Standards Committee.

- 1947 - Program Committee made a standing committee.
Publicity Committee made a standing committee.
Dues raised from 50¢ to \$1.00, effective January 1, 1948.

- 1953 - Committee on Oregon Authors made a standing committee. Name changed from Current Biographical Data on Oregon Authors Committee.
Dues raised from \$1.00 per year to:
\$1.00 per year for active members receiving less than \$1000 per year, trustees, institutional and other memberships
\$2.00 per year for active members receiving more than \$1000 per year.

- 1954 - Honorary Life memberships

A. L. A. Chapter

May 6, 1944. Annual meeting, Salem. Art. IV, Section 2, reading:
"AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CHAPTER. To widen its contacts, this Association may affiliate with the American Library Association as a chapter. The President shall be delegate to the Council, with power to appoint an alternate if unable to attend, as provided in Article IV, Section 3 of American Library Association By-laws," was amended to read:

"AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION. The Oregon Library Association, having been accepted as a chapter of the American Library Association, shall be represented on the American Library Association Council, by a member (or members when the size of the membership permits) elected in the same manner as other officers, for a term of four years as provided in the American Library Association By-laws, Article IV, Section 3. The president shall have power to appoint alternates or assign proxies. If a position as Councilor becomes vacant before the end of a term of office, a member appointed by the President shall act until the remainder of the term is provided for at the next annual election."

A. L. A. Councilor

1942, January 24. Midwinter meeting, Salem.
The Constitution at that date, Art. IV, Sec. 2, specified that the President of O.L.A. should be the ALA Councilor. Inasmuch as the President's term was for one year and the A.L.A. By-laws provided that all A.L.A. councilors should be chosen for four years, it was necessary to amend the constitution before applying for chapter status in the A.L.A. It was amended to read:

"A councilor or councilors shall be elected by the Oregon Library Association to represent this Association on the Council of the American Library Association at any of its annual meetings, such councilor or councilors to be elected in the same manner as the officers of the Oregon Library Association are elected. The length of term of the first councilor or councilors shall be for an indefinite term to be decided by the A.L.A. Council. Successors thereafter shall be elected for four-year terms and shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. The President of the Oregon Library Association may appoint a substitute for any regularly elected Councilor if such Councilors cannot attend a meeting of the A.L.A. Council. Councilors must be members of A.L.A. The president of the Oregon Library Association may authorize an elected Councilor to give his proxy to another elected councilor, preferably from this O.L.A. Chapter."

1946, May 25. Annual meeting, Salem,
The A.L.A. Councilor was made a member of the O.L.A. Executive Board.
See Executive Board.

Candidates

1944, May 6. Annual meeting, Salem.

Art. IV, Section 2, of the By-Laws, reading: "CANDIDATES. Such committee shall nominate two candidates for each of the following positions: President-elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. A member's consent must be obtained before his name may be placed on the ballot by the nominating committee" was amended to read:

"CANDIDATES. Such committee shall nominate two candidates for each of the following positions: President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and in alternate years, or when the position is vacant, a representative on the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association; and every four years, or when the position is vacant, an American Library Association Councilor. A member's consent must be obtained before his name may be placed on the ballot by the Nominating Committee."

Committees

Legislative and Library Standards Committee

1946, May 25. Annual meeting. Salem.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, October 12, 1945, the Constitution Article VI, COMMITTEES, Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES, reading "The President shall appoint, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, the chairmen of the following committees: Legislative, Membership, Library Standards. The President shall serve as ex-officio member of all committees" was amended to read:

"The President shall appoint the chairmen of all standing committees, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, and shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committees. There shall be the following standing committees: Legislative and Library Standards, Membership."

Program Committee

1947, September 3. Annual meeting. Seattle.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, Vancouver, September 5, 1946, the Constitution, Article VI. COMMITTEES, Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES, reading "The President shall appoint the chairmen of all standing committees, subject to the approval of the executive Board, and shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committees. There shall be the following standing committees: Legislative and Library Standards, Membership" was amended to read:

"The President shall appoint the chairmen of all standing committees, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, and shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committees. There shall be the following standing committees: Legislative and Library Standards, Membership, Publicity, and Program Committees."

Publicity Committee

1947, September 3. Annual meeting. Seattle.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, Vancouver, September 5, 1946, The Constitution, Article VI. COMMITTEES, Section 1. STANDING COMMITTEES, reading "The President shall appoint the chairmen of all standing committees, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, and shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committees. There shall be the following standing committees: Legislative and Library Standards, Membership" was amended to read:

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Committee on Oregon Authors

1953, May 2. Annual meeting. Bend.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, Ashland, May 10, 1952, the Constitution, Art. VI, COMMITTEES, Section 1, STANDING COMMITTEES, the last sentence now reading: "There shall be the following standing committees: Legislative and Library Standards, Membership, Publicity and Program" was changed to read:

"There shall be the following standing committees: Legislative and Library Standards, Membership, Publicity, Program, and the Committee on Oregon Authors."

(Note.- The last committee named was formerly the special committee Current Biographical Data on Oregon Authors Committee.)

Conference Year

1944, May 6. Annual meeting. Salem.

Art. I, Section 3 of the By-laws, reading: "CONFERENCE YEAR. The conference year shall begin with the adjournment of the annual meeting and continue to the adjournment of the next annual meeting." was amended by adding:

"... except that in case the Executive Board finds it necessary to omit the annual meeting, the conference year shall begin as soon as officers are elected."

Dues

1947, September 3. Annual meeting. Seattle.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, Vancouver, September 5, 1946, the By-laws, Article II. DUES. Section 1. ANNUAL DUES, reading "Annual dues for all active members shall be fifty cents" was amended to read:

"Effective January 1, 1948, annual dues for all active members shall be one dollar."

1953, May 2. Annual meeting. Bend.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, Portland, February 28, 1953, to provide for financing of the scholarship fund, two alternate proposals were presented for amending the By-laws, Article II, DUES, Section 1, ANNUAL DUES reading "Dues for active members shall be one dollar."

The first proposal was: The by-laws of the Oregon Library Association be changed to read as follows:

Article II, DUES

Section 1. ANNUAL DUES. Annual dues for all active members who receive less than \$1,000 shall be one dollar per year. The dues of members receiving more than \$1000 shall be two dollars per year. Trustee, institutional, and other memberships shall be one dollar per year.

The alternate proposal was:

1. Dues for all members remain at \$1.00.
2. That on the notices of dues mailed to the membership there appear

a statement such as the following:

Dues	\$1.00
Scholarship	

(Specify the amount of gift)

The Scholarship fund is to be built up and maintained by voluntary contributions. (Committee reports, Bend, May 1-2, 1953, last page)

After much discussion, the section was amended to read:

"Annual dues for all active members who receive a salary of less than \$1000 per year shall be one dollar. The dues of members receiving more than \$1000 shall be two dollars. Trustee, institutional, and other memberships shall be one dollar per year."

See Marcia M. Hill Scholarship regarding allocation of money to the fund.

Elections

1944, May 6. Annual meeting, Salem.

Article IV, Section 3 of the By-Laws, reading: "ELECTIONS. Election by secret ballot shall be held at the business meeting of each annual meeting" by was amended adding:

"... except that in case the Executive Board finds it necessary to omit the annual meeting, the President shall direct the Nominating Committee to issue ballots for the members to vote by mail on the candidates nominated."

Executive Board

1946, May 25. Annual meeting. Salem.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, October 12, 1945, the Constitution, Article V. MANAGEMENT. Section 2. EXECUTIVE BOARD. reading

"There shall be an Executive Board consisting of the officers named in Section 1 of this article, the retiring president, and one library trustee, and one member-at-large (not an executive) to be appointed by the president" was amended to read:

"There shall be an Executive Board consisting of the officers named in Section 1 of this article, the retiring president, one library trustee, the president of each library association holding an active membership in the Oregon Library Association, one member-at-large (not an executive) to be appointed by the President, and the Oregon Library Association representatives on the American Library Association Council and the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association."

Membership

Divisional library organization membership.

1946, May 25. Annual meeting. Salem.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, October 12, 1945, the Constitution, Article III. MEMBERSHIP, Section 1. ACTIVE MEMBERS reading "Any person or institution interested in library work may become a member and be

entitled to all its privileges upon payment of dues as provided in the By-laws" was amended to read:

"Any person, library association, or institution interested in library work may become a member and be entitled to all its privileges upon payment of dues as provided in the By-laws."

For representation on the Executive Board, see under Executive Board. See also Voting privileges.

Honorary Life Membership

1954, May 1. Annual meeting. Corvallis.
Insertion of new Sec. 2 to Art. III. MEMBERSHIP.
Sec. 2. HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS. Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, honorary life membership may be conferred upon an individual by a majority vote of the membership present at any annual meeting.

P. N. L. A. Representative

1942, August 28. Annual meeting. Seattle.

Because the O.L.A. constitution provided that the Association should be represented on the P.N.L.A. Board of Directors by its president, whose term was for one year, and the P.N.L.A. By-laws provided that the member be elected to serve on the Board of Directors for two years, it was necessary to amend the constitution to bring Article IV, Section 3 into line with the P.N.L.A. By-laws. Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, Seattle, August 28, 1942, it was moved, seconded and carried that Article IV, Section 3, be amended to read:

"The Association shall elect a member to serve on the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association, as provided in Section 26 of the Pacific Northwest Library Association By-laws. The president shall have the power to appoint an alternate."

1944, May 6. Annual meeting, Salem.

Article IV, Section 3, reading: "PACIFIC NORTHWEST LIBRARY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION. The Association shall elect a member to serve on the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association as provided in Section 2b of the Pacific Northwest Library Association By-laws. The president shall have power to appoint an alternate," was amended to read:

"PACIFIC NORTHWEST LIBRARY ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION. The Association shall be represented on the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association by a member elected for a term of two years, as provided in Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution, and Article I, Section 2b of the By-laws of the Pacific Northwest Library Association. The President shall have power to appoint an alternate. If the position becomes vacant before the expiration of a term of office, a member appointed by the President shall serve until the remainder of the term is provided for at the next annual election."

For further action regarding P.N.L.A. Representative, see *** following Voting Privileges, page 50.

Voting Privileges

1946, May 25. Annual meeting. Salem.

Upon recommendation of the Executive Board, October 12, 1945, the Constitution, Article III. MEMBERSHIP. Section 2. VOTING PRIVILEGES, second sentence reading "Governing boards of libraries, through a designated representative, may have one vote on all questions which come before the Association" was amended to read:

"Governing boards of libraries and library associations, through a designated representative, may have one vote on all questions which come before the Association."

1954, May 1. Annual meeting. Corvallis.

Article III, Sec. 2, reading "Each active member of the Association in good standing shall be entitled to all voting privileges. Governing boards of libraries and library associations, through a designated representative, may have one vote on all questions which come before the Association" was renumbered to Sec. 3 and changed to read:

"Sec. 2. VOTING PRIVILEGES. Each active and honorary life member shall be entitled to all voting privileges. Governing boards of libraries and library associations, through a designated representative may have one vote on all questions which come before the Association."

1946, May 25. Annual meeting. Salem.

The P.N.L.A. Representative was made a member of the O.L.A. Executive Board.

See Executive Board

EXECUTIVE BOARD

1940-41

President	Willis Warren	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Secretary	Mary Blossom	Lib. Assn of Portland	Portland
Treasurer	Dessa Hofstetter	Malheur County Lib.	Ontario
Chmn Bd of Dir.	Wilma Boisselier	Hood River County Lib.	Hood River
1st Congr. Dist.	Miss Reizerstein	Roseburg Public Lib.	Roseburg
2d Congr. Dist.	Florence Sweet	Pendleton H.S. Lib.	Pendleton
Trustee Member	Mrs. Frank Spears	Salem Public Lib.	Salem
A.L.A. Councilor	The O.L.A. President		
P.W.L.A. Rep.	The O.L.A. President		

1941-42

President	Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Lib.	Salem
Secretary	Josephine Baumgartner	Oregon State Lib.	Salem
Treasurer	Mabel E. Doty	La Grande Public Lib	La Grande
Past President	Willis Warren	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Member-at-Large	Katherine Anderson	Lib. Assn of Portland	Portland
Trustee Member	Mrs. Frank Spears	Trustee, Salem Public	Salem
	Mrs. Evelyn Jacobs	High School Library	Corvallis
A.L.A. Councilor	The O.L.A. President		
P.W.L.A. Rep.	The O.L.A. President		

Miss Lucia Haley was appointed PMLA Representative, by Executive Board, January 24, 1942.

1942-44

President	Mirpah Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
Vice-President	Lucia Haley	Oregon State Coll. Lib	Corvallis
Secretary	Evelyn Kreuger	Corvallis Public Lib.	Corvallis
Treasurer	Clarice Krieg	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Past President	Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Library	Salem
Member-at-Large	Mrs. Wilma Wright	Parrish Junior H. S.	Salem
Trustee Member	Mrs. H. B. Latham		Silverton

1944-45

President	Lucia Haley	Oregon State Coll. Lib.	Corvallis
Vice-President	Agnes Shields	Oregon State College	Salem
Secretary	Isabel Goodnough	Salem High School	Salem
Treasurer	Mary F. Gilbert	Masco County Library	The Dalles
Past President	Mirpah Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
Member-at-Large	Miriam Yoder	Reed College Library	Portland
Trustee Member	Mrs. Raymond P. Canfield	Oregon City	Oregon City
A.O.A. Councilor	J. Elizabeth Olson	Umatilla County Lib.	Pendleton
P.W.L.A. Rep.	Neva LeBlond	Salem Public Library	Salem

1945-46

President	Agnes Shields	Oregon State Library	Salem
Vice-President	Eleanor Brown	Deschutes County Lib.	Bend
Secretary	Martha Foster	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Treasurer	Marie H. Jackson	Oregon State Coll. Lib.	Corvallis
Past President	Lucia Haley	Oregon State Coll. Lib.	Corvallis
Trustee Member	Mrs. R. E. Bean	Oregon State Coll. Lib.	Freewater
A.L.A. Councilor	Katherine Anderson	Lib. Assn of Portland	Portland
P.W.L.A. Rep.	Neva LeBlond	Umatilla County Lib.	Pendleton

1946-47

President	Eleanor Brown	Deschutes County Library	Bend
Vice-President	Philip Blodgett	Clatsop County Library	Astoria
Secretary	Cora E. Mason	Ashland Public Library	Ashland
Treasurer	Frances Kemp	Reed College Library	Portland
Past President	Agnes Shields	Oregon State Library	Salem
Member-at-Large	Clara Nasholm	Eugene Public Library	Eugene
Trustee Member	Agnes Harris	Library Assn of Portland	Oregon City
A.L.A. Councilor	Katherine Anderson	Oregon College of Educ.	Portland
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter		Monmouth
Central Ore.Lib.			
Assn Rep.	Mrs. Tom Lee		Redmond

1947-48

President	Phillip Blodgett	Clatsop County Lib.	Astoria
Vice-President	Mary Phillips	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Secretary	Pauline Calendine	Reed College Library	Portland
Treasurer	Marjorie Chester	Salem Public Schools	Salem
Past President	Eleanor Brown	Deschutes County Lib.	Bend
Member-at-Large			
Trustee Member	Fred Fleet	Klamath County Library	Klamath Falls
A.L.A. Councilor	Katherine Anderson	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter	Oregon College of Educ.	Mommouth
Ex-Officio	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Salem

1948-49

President	Mary Phillips	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Vice-President	Mary Goodrich	Hood River County Lib.	Hood River
Secretary	Agnes Swanson	Lewis & Clark Coll. Lib.	Portland
Treasurer	Mrs. June Williams	Oregon City Public Lib.	Oregon City
Past President	Phillip Blodgett	Clatsop County Library	Astoria
Member-at-Large	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Trustee Member	Fred Fleet	Klamath County Library	Klamath Falls
A.L.A. Councilor	Raynard Swank	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
	resigned summer, 1948		
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Marcia Hill	Oregon State Library	Salem
Ex-Officio	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Salem

1949-50

President	Mary Paul Goodrich	Hood River County Lib.	Hood River
	resigned summer, 1950		
Vice-President	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Secretary	Marie Sneed	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Treasurer	Cora E. Mason	Ashland Public Library	Ashland
Past President	Mary E. Phillips	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Member-at-Large	Josephine Baumgartner	Oregon State Library	Salem
Trustee Member	Mrs. Sadie Bennett	Hood River County Lib.	Hood River
A.L.A. Councilor	Frances Kemp	Reed College Library	Portland
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Marcia Hill	Oregon State Library	Salem
Ex-Officio	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	"Salem

1950-51

President	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Library	Eugene
Vice-President	Cora E. Mason	Ashland Public Library	Ashland
Secretary	Elsie Lundborg	Pacific University Lib.	Forest Grove
Treasurer	Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Library	Salem
Past President			
Member-at-Large	Laverne Lamb	Woodrow Wilson Jr.H.S.Lib	Eugene
Trustee Member	Mrs. Robert Thornton	Tillamook Library	Tillamook
A.L.A. Councilor	Frances Kemp	Reed College Library	Portland
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Thomas H. Cahalan	U.of O. Dental School Lib.	Portland
Ex-Officio	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Salem

1951-52

President	Cora E. Mason	Ashland Public Library	Ashland
Vice-President	Pauline Calendine Howard	Reed College Library	Portland
Secretary	Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter	Oregon College of Ed. Lib.	Monmouth
Treasurer	Marcia Hill	Oregon State Library	Salem
Past President	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Member-at-Large	Dorothy Niel	Molalla High School Lib.	Molalla
Trustee Member	Mrs. Robert Thornton	Tillamook Library	Tillamook
A.L.A. Councilor	Eloise Ebert	Oregon State Library	Salem
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Thomas H. Cahalan	U.of O. Dental Sch. Lib.	Portland
Ex-Officio	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Salem

1952-53

President	Mrs. Pauline C. Howard	Reed College Library	Portland
Vice-President	Ainsley A. Whitman	Willamette Univ. Lib.	Salem
Secretary	J. Elizabeth Olson	Corvallis Elem.Sch.Lib	Corvallis
Treasurer	Isabel Goodnough	Salem H. S. Lib.	Salem
Past President	Cora E. Mason	Ashland Public Library	Ashland
Member-at-Large	Henry T. Drennan	Hood River County Lib.	HoodRiver
Trustee Member			
A.L.A. Councilor	Eloise Ebert	Oregon State Library	Salem
elected to four-year term			
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Ex-Officio	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Salem

1953-54

President	Ainsley A. Whitman	Willamette Univ. Lib.	Salem
Vice-President	Evelyn Cooper	Klamath County Lib.	Klamath Falls
Secretary	Cora Miller	University of Portland Lib.	Portland
Treasurer	Henry T. Drennan	Umatilla County Lib.	Pendleton
Past President	Mrs. Pauline C. Howard	Reed College Library	Portland
Member-at-Large	Isabel Goodnough	Salem High School Lib.	Salem
Trustee Member	Larry Calahan	Corvallis Public Library	Corvallis
A.L.A. Councilor	Eloise Ebert	Oregon State Library	Salem
P.N.L.A. Rep.	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene
Ex-Officio	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Salem

EXECUTIVE BOARD
(continued)

When the Association was organized in 1940, the advisory body was designated as Board of Directors. The members of the Board were selected by the elected officers; the Board consisted of five members: the chairman, one member from each of the three Congressional districts, and a trustee from the state at large. (Minutes. Timberline. June 14, 1940)

Editor's note.- The elected officers were president, secretary, and treasurer.

The Constitution, as adopted August 29, 1941, provided: "Article V. MANAGEMENT. Section 2. EXECUTIVE BOARD. There shall be an Executive Board consisting of the officers named in Section 1 of this article (Note.- President, Vice-President (President-elect), Secretary, Treasurer, the retiring president, and one library trustee, and one member-at-large (not an executive) to be appointed by the President."

At the annual conference, Salem, May 25, 1946, this section of the Constitution was amended to read: "There shall be an Executive Board consisting of the Officers named in Section 1 of this Article, the retiring president, one library trustee, the president of each library association holding an active membership in the Oregon Library Association, one member-at-large (not an executive to be appointed by the President, and the Oregon representative on the American Library Association Council and the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association."

Editor's note: A 1947 copy of the constitution was the same, except that the last part of the sentence read: "and the Oregon Library Association representatives on the American Library Association Council and the Board of Directors of the Pacific Northwest Library Association."

At an Executive Board meeting, Salem, March 22, 1947, it was moved and passed that Miss Stephens (as State Librarian) be appointed as a permanent consultant for O.L.A. In the list of committee appointments, 1947-1948, Mr. Blodgett stated "as State Librarian, Miss Stephens is ex-officio a member of all committees." Since 1948 the State Librarian has been listed as an ex-officio member of the Executive Board.

Committee chairmen have often been invited to attend Executive Board meetings.

Members

1941		
1942, August	150	
1943	154?	Statement is made (in Secretary's files) that there were four new members. No dues collected except for new members; the 1942 dues were extended to cover '43.
1944	210	Membership list, November, 1944. There were 9 new members.
1945	233	Membership list, 1945.
1946, July 15	150	approximately. Letter from Miss Eleanor Brown to Miss Stephens. In State Library files: O.L.A. Committee - Library Development - State Aid
1947	254	Membership directory through December, 1947.
1948, December	261	(From directory published Feb. 1, 1949)
1949	215	
1950	237	
1951	284	Directory, April 17, 1951, lists 236. Committee report, May 19, 1951, lists: 250 members 73 new members
1952	289	(From Newsletter, May 10, 1952. Membership was broken down as follows: College and University 72 25% School 64 22% City 54 19% County 44 15% State 19 7% Trustees 19 7% Others 14 4%
1953	303	Membership directory, June, 1952
	303	(From Membership chairman's report, 1953. 149 renewals 154 new members)
1953, December 1	303	(From Dec. 1, 1953 list of Members) 3 honorary life memberships
1954	384	(Counted in Treasurer's list, January, 1955)

Parliamentarian

1946-47	Mirpah G. Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
1947-48	Mirpah G. Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
1948-49	Mirpah G. Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
1949-50	Mirpah G. Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
1950 ¹ / ₂ -51	Mirpah G. Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
1951-52	Mirpah G. Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
1952-53	Mirpah G. Blair	Oregon State Librarian	Salem
	Alternate: Wm. H. Carlson	Oregon State System of Higher Education	Corvallis
1953-54	Mirpah G. Blair		Salem
1954-55			

The Parliamentarian, an appointee of the President, has attended the Executive Board meetings and the general business sessions of the annual meeting, where her chief duty has been to guide parliamentary procedure.

HISTORY

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STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Legislative
2. Legislative and Library Standards
3. Library Standards
4. Membership
5. Oregon Authors Committee
6. Program Committee
7. Publicity Committee

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Current Biographical Data on Oregon Authors Committee

see

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Legislative Committee

1941

Chairman

Katherine Anderson
Georgia Smith
Marcia Hill

Library Assn of Portland
Hillsboro Public Library
Josephine County Library
Portland
Hillsboro
Grants Pass

1941-42

Chairman

Katherine Anderson

Library Assn of Portland
Portland

1944-45

Chairman

Hugh Morrow
Lois Baker
Cora E. Mason
Phillip Blodgett

Salem Public Library
Univ. of Oregon Library
Ashland Public Library
Clatsop County Library
Salem
Eugene
Ashland
Astoria

For the activities of this committee see History - Certification.

Combined with Library Standards Committee to form Legislative and Library Standards Committee. Constitutional amendment passed at annual meeting May 25, 1946, Salem.

Legislative and Library Standards Committee

Created in 1946 by combining the Legislative Committee and the Library Standards Committee. Constitutional amendment adopted at annual meeting, May 25, 1946, Salem.

1946-47

Chairman

Phillip Blodgett
Mrs. Meredith Bailey
Wm. H. Carlson

Clatsop County Library
Trustee, Deschutes Co.Lib.Bend
Oregon State System of
Higher Education
Willamette Univ. Lib.
Oregon State Library
Pres. League of Ore Cities
Oregon State Coll. Lib.
Oregon State Coll. Lib.
Milwaukie Public Lib.
Salem Public Library
Astoria
Bend
Corvallis
Salem
Salem
Oswego
Corvallis
Corvallis
Milwaukie
Salem

Dan Graves
Eleanor Stephens
Fred Inkster
Nedra LeBlond
Katherine Hughes
Mrs. Katherine Mason
Hugh Morrow

Subcommittee on Certification:

Hugh Morrow, Chairman
Dan Graves
Mrs. Katharine Mason

Subcommittee on Legislation

Wm H. Carlson, Chairman
Eleanor Stephens
Mirpah G. Blair

1947-48

Chairman William H. Carlson, Director of Libraries,
 Ore. St. System of Higher Ed. Corvallis

(IP) Eleanor Brown Deschutes County Lib. Bend
 (L) Marjorie Chester Salem Public Schools, Supervisor of Libraries Salem
 (P) Eleanor Davis Klamath County Library Klamath Falls
 (C) Dan Graves Willamette Univ. Library Salem
 (L) Caroline Martin Oregon State Coll. Lib. Corvallis
 (C) Mrs. Katharine Mason Clackamas County Library Oregon City
 (C) Hugh Morrow Salem Public Library Salem
 * Eleanor Stephens Oregon State Library Salem
 Warren McMinnie District Attorney Tillamook
 Burt Snyder Oregon State Legislature Lakeview
 Fred Inkster Director, League of Oregon Cities Oswego

(C) Certification committee members, chairman--Hugh Morrow
 (L) Library Development committee members (Eleanor Brown will act as Executive Secretary)

(P) Planning committee members
 (*) Ex-officio members of all committees.

--Tentative program, May 22, 1948
 (in files of Oregon State Library)

1948-49

Chairman (Wm. H. Carlson Ore. State System of higher education Corvallis
 (-resigned, Nov. 1948 Oregon State Legislature Oswego
 (Fred Inkster Deschutes County Library Bend
 Eleanor Brown Oregon City Public Library Oregon City
 Mrs. June Williams Klamath County Library Klamath Falls
 Eleanor Davis Clackamas County Library Oregon City
 Mrs. Katharine Mason Salem Public Library Salem
 Hugh Morrow Oregon State Library Salem
 Eleanor Stephens Oregon State Library Tillamook
 Warren McMinnie District Attorney Lakeview
 Burt Snyder Oregon State Legislature Lakeview

1949-50

Chairman Clare Sergeant Umatilla County Library Pendleton
 Mrs. Gertrude Brumbaugh Oregon City Public Library Oregon City
 Marjorie Chester Salem Public Schools Salem
 Carl W. Hintz Univ. of Oregon Library Eugene
 Lois Tish Cascade College Portland

1950-51

Chairman Clare Sergeant Umatilla County Library Pendleton
 Mrs. Gertrude Brumbaugh Oregon City Public Library Oregon City
 Carl W. Hintz Univ. of Oregon Library Eugene
 Robert Ragsdale Hood River County Library HoodRiver

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1951-52

Chairman

Ainsley A. Whitman
Helen Ward
Donald K. Nelson

Willamette Univ. Library
Salem Public Library
Eastern Ore. College of
Education Library

Salem
Salem
La Grande

1952-53

Chairman

Ainsley A. Whitman
Eleanor Davis
Louise Prichard
Marion Hagerman
Robert W. Cryder

Willamette Univ. Library
Albany Public Library
Library Assn of Portland
Oregon State Library
Univ. of Oregon Library

Salem
Albany
Portland
Salem
Eugene

1953-54

Chairman

Eloise Ebert
Louise Prichard
P. D. Morrison
William Griffith
Marion W. Hagerman

Oregon State Library
Library Assn of Portland
Univ. of Oregon Library
Corvallis Public Library
Oregon State Library

Salem
Portland
Eugene
Corvallis
Salem

Legislative and Library Standards Committee

From the beginning of the Association until the fourth annual meeting, Salem, May 25, 1946, this committee was the Legislative Committee. At this meeting the Legislative Committee and the Library Standards Committee were combined, by Constitutional amendment, to form the Legislative and Library Standards Committee.

The minutes of the Executive Board, Salem, October 2, 1945, state:

"This Committee (Legislative) is charged with responsibility of preparing the ground for legislation regarding proper library standards, state aid, and certification. The Executive Board recommended that suitable publicity releases be prepared and distributed widely to libraries, librarians, and trustees." Again at the Executive Board, Salem, March 16, 1948, the definition of duties and objectives was raised; the need of correlation with the Planning Committee and the Publicity Committee was pointed out. In 1948, annual meeting, Portland, May 22, the chairman stated that this committee "will be an implementation committee--that is, it will activate the plans deemed desirable by the Association."

The legislative activities of this committee are traced in the sections dealing with Certification, State Aid, and Federal Legislation. In addition, this committee has discharged other duties.

The chairman reported to the Executive Board, February, 1945 (In Secretary's files) that he had followed action on the 43rd Legislative Assembly, H.B. 212, an act relating to and providing for a county manager form of government for counties. "Mr. Francis (who is rewriting H.B. 212) assured me that Section 5 of this bill, which covers the duties and powers of the county board, was being amended to include the following provision: 'The same authority now held by county courts shall be held by the county board.' This provision, I believe, adequately covers the interests of county library boards and county librarians. When the county-manager form of government is being proposed in any Oregon county, it will be the duty of local library boards and librarians to see that their interests are included in the proposed charter."

In 1946, Executive Board, Bend, July 13, it was suggested that the Oregon library law be revised so that shorter paragraphs would provide broken reading space.

At various times during the years 1948 and 1949 a need for codification of the Oregon library law was expressed. At the Executive Board meeting, Portland, August 29, 1950, Miss Stephens suggested that the O.L.A. Committee on Legislation and Library Standards be ready to work with the Statute Revision Commission which had been appointed in 1947. It was also suggested that the same committee prepare to meet the need for a good Oregon library law. The chairman agreed to undertake the preliminary study. When the discussion of the Executive Board was reported to the annual meeting, Portland, August 30, 1950, it was recommended that O.L.A. committees prepare the groundwork for a much needed new library law to be ready when the favorable time to promote passage should come.

In 1951 the Committee made a comparison of the library laws of California, Washington, and Oregon, with the idea in mind that such a comparison might serve as a guide for a revision of the library laws of Oregon (Text of the report is in the Secretary's files.)

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The 1951-1952 committee was charged by the Executive Board to study the library laws of Oregon for the purpose of improving the wording of the law. This Committee did nothing because it felt no purpose would be served until the Statute Revision Commission had finished its work. The Committee was continued for 1952-1953 and charged to undertake a line by line study of the present law with a view to making recommendations for needed clarification. The chairman reported to the Executive Board, Salem, October 25, 1952, that the committee should study the wording line by line as revised by the Statute Revision Commission and that if changes should be needed for state aid or other matters, they would plan to make the necessary recommendations to present to the 1955 legislature. The report appears in the mimeographed reports, Berd, May 1-2, 1953.

The 1953-54 Committee met on January 8, 1954, in Salem, with the members of the Executive Board and the Library Development Committee. The Committee was to assist in the drafting of a bill for presentation to the Legislature. As the plans of the Library Development Committee were not completed until the end of the conference year, the Legislative Committee was unable to draft the bill.

At the request of the Executive Board the committee prepared a proposed amendment to the O.L.A. constitution providing for Honorary Life Members.

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Library Standards, Committee on

1941-52

Chairman	Marcia Hill	Josephine County Library	Grants Pass
*	Hazel Johnson	Reed College Library	Portland
*	Gertrude Brumbaugh	Clackamas County Library	Oregon City
*	Mary McComb	Klamath County Library	Klamath F.

1942-44

* Chairman	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Salem
*	Iottie Peters	Pacific Univ. Library	Forest Grove
*	Dessa Hofstetter	Oregon Coll. of Ed. Lib.	Monmouth

1944-45

Chairman	Mabel E. Doty	La Grande Public Library	La Grande
	Frances Kemp	Reed College Library	Portland
	Bess McCrea	Josephine County Library	GrantsPass

* From State Library Files: O.L.A. 1941 to date - Officers

Combined with Legislative Committee to form Legislative and Library Standards Committee. Constitutional amendment passed at annual meeting, May 25, 1946, Salem.

Library Standards, Committee on

The only record of this committee is the report of the chairman, Miss Marcia Hill, Josephine County Library, given at the Midwinter meeting, Salem, January 24, 1942. Miss Hill spoke on the need for raising standards and suggested that a classification system such as that described in Classification and Pay Plans for Municipal Public Libraries, published by A.L.A., be used for evaluating libraries in Oregon.

At the annual meeting of the Association, Salem, May 25, 1946, this committee was, by Constitutional amendment, combined with the Legislative Committee to form the Legislative and Library Standards Committee.

Membership Committee

1940	Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter	Malheur County Library	Ontario
1941-42	Chairman J. Elizabeth Olson	Umatilla County Library	Pendleton
1944-45	Chairman Eleanor Brown Ida Hilbers Elizabeth Findly Miss Ruth Hewitt Mary Frances Gilbert	Deschutes County Library Oregon State College Lib. Univ. of Oregon Library Library Assn of Portland Wasco County Library	Bend Corvallis Eugene Portland The Dalles
1945-46	Chairman Martha Hansen Miss Nell Carter Dorothy Johnson	Clackamas County Library County School Library Grant H. S. Library	Oregon City Toledo Portland
1946-47	Chairman Dorothy Johnson Mrs. Adelaide Barker Patti Patton Mrs. Leona Fleetwood Lucille Blover Mrs. H.T. Ward Irene Craft	Grant H. S. Library Oregon State Library Univ. of Oregon Library Baker Public Library Clatsop County Library Redmond Public Library Oregon State College Lib.	Portland Salem Eugene Baker Astoria Redmond Corvallis
1947-48	Chairman Robert K. Johnson Sylvia Cline Lora Ives Cora E. Mason E. W. Erickson Adeline Adams	Pacific University Library Library Assn of Portland Oregon State College Library Ashland Public Library Eastern Oregon College of Univ. of Oregon Library	Forest Grove Portland Corvallis Ashland Ed. La Grande Eugene
1948-49	Chairman E. W. Erickson Sylvia Cline Lora Ives Cora E. Mason Mabel E. Doty	Eastern Oregon Coll of Ed. Library Assn of Portland Oregon State College Lib. Ashland Public Library LaGrande Public Library	La Grande Portland Corvallis Ashland La Grande
1949-50	Chairman Ivy Grover Mrs. Edna DownsWilliams Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter Barbara Moberg Sally Lou Tipton Evelyn Cooper Leona Fleetwood Clarice Krieg Nedra LeBlond	Deschutes County Library Library Assn of Portland Oregon College of Educ. Oregon State Library Clackamas County Library Klamath County Library Baker Public Library Univ. of Oregon Library Oregon State College Lib.	Bend Portland Monmouth Salem OregonCity KlamathFalls Baker Eugene Corvallis

1950-51

Chairman

Miriam Yoder	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis
Marcia Hill	Oregon State Library	Salem
Marie Sneed	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Robert Cryder	Univ. of Oregon Lib.	Eugene

1951-52

Chairman

Isabel Goodnough	Salem Senior H. S. Lib.	Salem
Marjorie Pomeroy	Walheur County Library	Ontario
Henry T. Drennan	Hood River County Library	Hood River
Bess Tressler	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis
Robert M. Cryder	Univ. of Oregon Library	Eugene
Sarah Olson	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Dorothy Johnson	Grant H. S. Library	Portland

1952-53

Chairman

Grace E. Moffit	Salem Public Library	Salem
Mrs. Bernice P. Bronough	St. Helen's H. D. Library	St. Helens
Irene L. Craft	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis
Robert W. Cryder	Univ. of Oregon Library	Eugene
Henry T. Drennan	Hood River County Library	Hood River
Myrtle Funkhauser	Southern Ore. Coll. of Ed.	Ashland
Margaret E. Hughes	U. of Ore. Medical Sch. Lib.	Portland
Sarah J. Olson	Library Assn of Portland	Portland

1943-54

Chairman

Gladys Dawson	Oregon City Public Library	Oregon City
Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter	Ore. College of Education	Monmouth
Lora Ives	Oregon State Coll. Lib	Corvallis
Flo M. Hornberger	Oregon State Library	Salem
Mrs. Hazel Mills	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Mrs. Annette Bartholomae	Univ. of Portland Library	Portland
Brother David Martin	Univ. of Oregon Library	Eugene
William Lindgren	Library Trustee, Public Lib.	Corvallis
Mr. Larry Calahan		

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Membership Committee

Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter, Malheur County Library, Ontario, volunteered to be chairman of the first committee. (Minutes, Executive Board, December 20, 1940) While no broad campaign for membership was made during the first year, plans were considered for the following year. (Letter, President Warren to Mrs. Hofstetter, March 20, 1941. In President's files)

In August 1942 the Treasurer reported 150 paid memberships. (Report in Secretary's files)

In 1943, when there was no annual meeting because of wartime conditions, the Executive Board decided to omit the payment of dues, except those for new members, and the 1942 dues were extended to cover both 1942 and 1943. (Treasurer's report, May 3, 1944. In Secretary's files.)

At the Executive Board meeting, Salem, October 2, 1945, a project was recommended, and the Board approved, whereby the Membership Committee would keep an official list of changes of position among library personnel of any capacity. The minutes state "The project will be presented at the May meeting and all membs asked to cooperate by notifying the Committee of such changes." As far as can be ascertained this suggestion was not carried out.

The method of campaign has varied from year to year; but always there has been cooperation and agreement between the membership chairman and the Treasurer. Sometimes subcommittees have been appointed with responsibility for obtaining memberships in the larger libraries or cities there were several libraries. At other times, each member of the committee has been assigned responsibility for obtaining memberships in particular types of libraries. See also Procedure Manual.

In 1953-54 over 1,300 membership blanks were distributed. Brother David and Mr. Callahan wrote special letters to accompany the membership blanks sent to their groups. The chairman wrote a letter to a large group of public librarians urging them to encourage their trustees to join. The largest membership to date was recorded with 384 members on the rolls on December 31, 1954.

Oregon Authors, Committee on

1950-51 (Current Biographical Data on Oregon Authors Committee)

Chairman	Loretta Fisher	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Katherine Anderson	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Eleanor A. Brown	Deschutes County Library	Bend
	Mabel Doty	La Grande Public Library	La Grande
	Clara Nasholm	Eugene Public Library	Eugene

1951-52 (Current Biographical Data on Oregon Authors Committee)

Chairman	Loretta G. Fisher	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Katherine Anderson	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Eleanor Brown	Deschutes County Library	Bend
	Mabel Doty	La Grande Public Library	La Grande
	Clara Nasholm	Eugene Public Library	Eugene
	Helen Ward	Salem Public Library	Salem
	Agnes Sengstecken	Coos Bay Public Library	Coos Bay
	Madge Chilcote	Klamath County Library	Klamath F.

1952-53 (Current Biographical Data on Oregon Authors Committee)

Chairman	Loretta G. Fisher	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Katherine Anderson	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Eleanor Brown	Deschutes County Library	Bend
	Mabel Doty	La Grande Public Library	La Grande
	Clara Nasholm	Eugene Public Library	Eugene
	Madge Chilcote	Klamath County Library	Klamath F.
	Genevieve Sengstecken	Coos Bay Public Library	Coos Bay
	Helen Ward Howard	Salem Public Library	Salem
	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Library	Eugene
	Harriet Warner	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis

1943-54 Committee on Oregon Authors (Name changed by Constitutional amendment, Bend, May 2, 1953)

Chairman	Loretta G. Fisher	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Katherine Anderson	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Eleanor F. Brown	Deschutes County Library	Bend
	Mabel E. Doty	La Grande Public Library	La Grande
	Clara E. Nasholm	Eugene Public Library	Eugene
	Henry Drennan	Umatilla County Library	Pendleton
	Hazel Mills	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Elizabeth Findly	Univ. of Oregon Library	Eugene
	Harriet Warner	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis

Oregon Authors, Committee on

This committee was first appointed as a special committee in 1950, with the name Current Biographical Data on Oregon Authors Committee. The purpose of the committee was to cooperate with the Current Biographical Data Committee of P.N.L.A.

In the report of the chairman, May 19, 1951 (In Secretary's files) the operation of the committee was described:

"The Oregon State Library, as Collection Center, has generously supplied personnel for gathering author's names, for the detailed checking required for locating current addresses of authors, for the typing and mimeographing, for stuffing envelopes and all the other many processes involved in getting the forms directed to the authors, as well as for the recording and filing of the data received. The State Library has also supplied stationery and postage."

A letter from the State Librarian, September 27, 1952 (In President's files), further explained: "Data collected belongs to the Oregon State Library and not to O.L.A., although the results of the research are given to O.L.A."

Miss Loretta G. Fisher, Oregon State Library, has served as chairman from the beginning; she has also served as the Oregon representative on the P.M.L.A. Committee. It has been the custom to give Miss Fisher the privilege of selecting the members of her committee in any number she deems necessary.

It was suggested at the Eugene meeting, May 19, 1951, that this committee be made a standing committee. At Ashland, May 10, 1952, it was moved, seconded and carried to recommend a constitutional change to provide for a standing "Bibliographic Committee." The Executive Board, same date, recommended the change and instructed the Legislative and Library Standards Committee to write the change. The report was made to the Executive Board, Portland, February 28, 1953:

"That Article III, Section 1, COMMITTEES, be changed to read as follows: There shall be the following standing committees: Legislative and Library Standards, Membership, Publicity, Program, and the Bibliography Committee."

The Board agreed that the name Bibliography Committee be changed to Committee on Oregon Authors. The membership adopted this change at the annual conference, Bend, May 2, 1953, and the Committee on Oregon Authors became a standing committee.

The work of the Committee was continued through the year 1953-54, with 329 completed questionnaires having been processed since the inception of the project.

Program Committee

1941	Mrs. Dessa Hofstetter	Malheur County Library	Ontario
1945-46	Gladys Windedahl Wm. H. Carlson Isabel Goodnough	Oregon State Library Oregon State System of H.Ed. Salem H. S. Library	Salem Corvallis Salem
1946-47	Chairman Agnes Krarup Pauline Calendine Mary Goodrich Bess McCrea Mabel Doty	Library Assn of Portland Reed College Library Hood River County Library Josephine County Library La Grande Public Library	Portland Portland Hood River Grants Pass La Grande
1947-48	Chairman Marie Sneed Pauline Calendine Edna Down Marcia Hill Eleanor Stephens, Ex-Off. Mary Phillips, Ex-Off.	Library Assn of Portland Reed College Library Library Assn of Portland Oregon State Library Oregon State Library Library Assn of Portland	Portland Portland Portland Salem Salem Portland
1948-49	Chairman David C. Duniway	Oregon State Library, Archives	Salem
1949-50	Chairman Mrs. Marie Jackson	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis
1950-51	Chairman Marjorie Chester Josephine Baumgartner Helen Erickson	Salem Public Schools Oregon State Library Univ. of Oregon Library	Salem Salem Eugene
1951-52	Chairman Muriel Mitchell Clara Nasholm Bess McCrae	Roseburg Public Library Eugene Public Library Josephine County Library	Roseburg Eugene Grants Pass
1952-53	Chairman Ivy Grover LoisTish Dean Lingle	Deschutes County Library Cascade College Library Lake County Library	Bend Portland Lakeview
1953-54	Chairman William Griffith W. Stuart Forth J. Elizabeth Olson Miriam Yoder Mrs. Francis Spring Evelyn Cooper Ainsley A. Whitman	Corvallis Public Library Oregon State College Lib. Corvallis El.School Lib. Oregon State College Lib. Klamath County Library Willamette Univ. Library	Corvallis Corvallis Corvallis Corvallis Klamath F. Salem

For the activities of this Committee see programs of the annual meetings in the Secretary's files and archives and in History - Highlights of Annual Meetings.

Publicity Committee

1944-45

Neva LeBlond

Salem Public Library

Salem

1946-47 Name: Special Publicity (Publicity for the State aid bill)

Chairman Mrs. Marie Jackson

Oregon State College

Corvallis

Ella Carrick

Univ. of Oregon Library

Eugene

Ida C. Hilbers

Oregon State College Lib.

Corvallis

1947-48

Not appointed

1948-49

Not appointed

1949-50

Chairman Mabel E. Doty

La Grande Public Library

La Grande

Barbara Ortman

Oregon State Library

Salem

Mrs. Constance Pease

Corvallis Public Library

Corvallis

1950-51

Chairman Eloise Ebert

Oregon State Library

Salem

Eleanor Davis

Albany Public Library

Albany

Muriel Mitchell

Roseburg Public Library

Roseburg

1951-52

Chairman Mrs. Marie Jackson

Oregon State College Lib.

Corvallis

1952-53

Chairman Luther Chew

Lewis and Clark College Lib. Portland

1953-54

Chairman Bertha B. Hallam

Univ. of Oregon Medical SchLib Portland

Margaret E. Hughes

Univ. of Oregon Med.Sch. Lib. Portland

Ora K. Goodman

Univ. of Oregon Med.Sch. Lib. Portland

Jean P. Black

Portland State College Lib. Portland

T. H. Cahalan

U. of O. Dental School Lib. Portland

Luther F. Chew

Lewis & Clark College Lib. Portland

Lillie L. Larsen

Silverton Public Library

Silverton

Publicity Committee

The Publicity Committee was first appointed in 1944. At a special meeting, Spokane, June 28, 1944, a motion was passed that the Executive Board with the cooperation of the State Library, send letters to local post-war planning organizations and governing Boards of institutions requesting their consideration of library needs. Following a discussion of publicity to interest communities in library problems, a resolution was passed:

"Whereas, a state-wide publicity program must be inaugurated, "Resolved, that this organization go on record as authorizing its Board to call to the aid of such a program every librarian in the state."

At the following Executive Board meeting, Salem, September 13, 1944, Miss Neva LeBlond (Salem Public Library) was appointed chairman of the Publicity Committee. The minutes of the Executive Board meeting, Salem, February 28, 1945, state that Miss LeBlond reported on her activities and that the remainder of the session was devoted to a discussion of the publicity letters which she had prepared to be sent to libraries and post-war planning agencies.

There is no record that the Committee was appointed for the year 1945-46. The list of committees 1946-47 (In secretary's files) designates it as Special Publicity and defines its purpose "to take care of publicity for the O.I.A. sponsored State Aid Bill", 44th Legislative Assembly, 1947, H.B. 367. At the March 22, 1947, meeting of the Executive Board in Salem, the chairman reported that letters, as well as other publicity, had been written regarding this bill.

By Constitutional amendment, annual meeting, Seattle, September 3, 1947, the Publicity Committee was made a standing committee.

During the year 1947-48 the Committee was inactive "because its work is dependent upon the Oregon Library Development Fund and the Legislative and Library Standards Committee." (Minutes. Executive Board. Salem. March 16, 1948)

At the Executive Board meeting, Portland, April 23, 1949, discussion focused on the work to be done before another bill could be presented to the next legislature. It is recorded: "A committee of librarians should be appointed immediately to work on publicity, especially with women's organizations. Publicity should be coordinated and a liaison should be made with the state library board, and the following state library organizations should be contacted for endorsement: The Special Libraries Group, The Catholic Library Association, and the School Librarians Association."

In 1950-51 the Committee undertook the project of disseminating information to members of the Association. The report of the Chairman (Minutes. Annual meeting. Eugene. May 19, 1951) included: "The chief project of this committee was the publication and distribution of the Newsletter and membership list..." This committee also did quite a thorough job of obtaining state-wide newspaper publicity for the annual meeting.

In 1951-52 the Committee chairman reported: "The main work of this committee has been the issuance of four newsletters to the members and prospective members of the Oregon Library Association ... One of the main objectives of the Committee has been to make available to the general membership the work of the A.I.A. Office in Washington, D.C., in regard to library development and the progress of such bills in Congress. It has also served as a means of communication to the membership as to the activities of its officers and committees." (Report in Secretary's files)

Editor's note.- O.I.A. has never appointed an A.I.A. Coordinator nor set up a state organization, as suggested by A.I.A. The publicity as issued in the Association's Newsletter has been an attempt to inform the membership concerning A.I.A. activities, especially federal legislation.

The 1952-53 committee continued the above objectives and issued four numbers of the Oregon Library News, formerly called Newsletter. This committee was appointed to serve July to July, in order that an experienced committee could bring out the final issue as soon as possible after the annual conference. During this year the minutes of the meetings of the Executive Board and of the general meeting were included in order to keep the membership currently informed on the work of the Association officers and committees. The increasing amount of time and effort required to issue Oregon Library News presented considerable difficulty.

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The 1953-54 Committee retained the 1952-53 chairman to serve in an advisory capacity. The President was instructed to ask Martha Hansen, the chairman of the Library Development Committee and a resident of Portland (as was the Publicity chairman) to help edit the information from the Washington Newsletter and to correlate the information from the Library Development Committee for the Oregon Library News. (Minutes, Executive Board, Salem, October 26, 1953)

Three issues of the Oregon Library News were published in 1953--1954. For the first time the News was composed on a Varitype machine and the innovation proved very popular. The convention issue was sent to an extensive list of non-members of O.L.A., as well as to the membership in order to stimulate interest in the annual convention.

Numerous news releases to the press and to radio stations throughout Oregon were sent out by Mrs. Lillie Larsen and the president concerning the activities of the organization, particularly in connection with library development plans and the convention.

HISTORY

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2. "Audio-Visual" Committee
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8. Manual Committee
9. Planning Committee
10. Recruitment Committee
11. Resolutions Committee
12. Scholarship Committee

1950-51

Adult Education

Chairman	Laurence E. Tomlinson	Lewis & Clark College Lib.	Portland
	Jean P. Black	Vanport College Library	Portland
	Mildred Cline	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Library	Salem

1951-52

Chairman	Laurence E. Tomlinson	Lewis & Clark College Lib.	Portland
	Jean P. Black	Vanport College Library	Portland
	Mildred Cline	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Library	Salem

1952-53

Chairman	Colin Lucas	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
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1953-54

Chairman	Martha Hansen	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
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The Adult Education Committee was appointed in January 1951 by the president of O.L.A. The general purpose of the committee was to help stimulate interest and activity in the various forms of adult education through the state. Its immediate objective was to compile a list of adult education agencies throughout Oregon, and to obtain the name and address of a key member of each agency. Upon the completion of this list, it was assumed that various library organizations would be interested in contacting some or all of these agencies to inform them of the various library services available. Upon establishing relationships with the various agencies, it would then be possible to cooperate with them in various ways to enable them to broaden and extend their services in their respective communities.

This committee from the start worked in close cooperation with the Adult Education Committee of the P.M.L.A. and sought to carry out the mutual aims of the O.L.A. and the P.M.L.A. in the field of adult education. The Report of Chairman, Eugene, May 19, 1951 (In Secretary's files) stated that at that time the initial list was approaching completion. It would include more than 34 different communities in Oregon and probably more than 200 different adult education agencies.

In 1952, at Ashland, May 10, the chairman reported that the listing of adult education agencies had been completed up to that date. The report continues: "It is the plan of the committee to inform these agencies about special library services available to them through their local libraries, i.e., P.M.B.C. and other special privileges. The P.M.L.A. Committee was to have cooperated in publishing a bulletin of information. No report has been received from the regional committee."

The Executive Board, Portland, February 28, 1953, recommended that this committee be charged to cooperate with the A.L.A. survey of adult education and to investigate the package program. No report was presented at the annual meet.

The work of this committee for 1953-54 was accomplished by Martha Hansen, the Chairman of the Library Development Committee. The list of adult education agencies formerly compiled was taken as a basis for a new list. Miss Hansen wrote literally hundreds of letters to individuals throughout the State in order to bring the list up to date and to add the names of officers of new agencies. This list was to serve primarily as a mailing list for contacts in 1954-55 in connection with the legislative campaign of O.L.A.

Audio-Visual Materials Committee

1953-54

Chairman Agnes Shields	Oregon State Library	Salem
(Appointed Apr. 1953; to continue through to January, 1954)		
Mrs. Susan Broadbent	School Libn, Gilbert Sch	Portland
Luther Chew	Lewis & Clark College Lib.	Portland
Isabel Goodnough	Salem H. S. Library	Salem
Mrs. Eleanor Saltus	Southern Ore Coll. of Ed.	Ashland

The chairman of this committee was appointed by the President, cooperating with the Vice-President, because it would carry through his term of office, and she was instructed to form her committee.

The Audio-Visual Association of Oregon approached the O.L.A., letter dated March 12, 1953, asking that O.L.A. appoint a special committee to study their publication, "Minimum Standards for Instructional Materials Programs in Oregon Schools" and to report by January 1954 recommendations or suggestions for additions or changes. (Minutes. Annual meeting. Bend, May 2, 1953)

The Committee met at the Oregon State Library November 21, 1953. It had been asked to review the report mentioned above, and to present the point of view of librarians concerning the problems relating to materials centers. The report of the committee is to be found in the committee reports as submitted at the Corvallis meeting. Miss Shields made the report before the O.A.V.A. in Portland in March, 1954. This completed the assignment of this special committee.

1940

Constitution and By-Laws Committee

Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Library	Salem
Katherine Hughes	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis
Alice Graham	Albany College	Portland

1945-46

Constitutional Revision Committee

Mirpah Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Library	Salem

1946-47

Lucia Haley	Oregon State College Lib.	Corvallis
Mirpah Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem

1952-53

Amendments drafted by the Legislative and Library Standards Committee.

1953-54
Committee. Amendments drafted by the Legislative and Library Standards

Honorary Life Memberships, Special Committee

1952-53

Chairman	Elizabeth Findly	University of Oregon Lib	Eugene
	Eleanor Stephens	Oregon State Library	Sallem

See History - Honorary Life Memberships

- Constitutional Amendments

See also Procedure Manual

Intellectual Freedom Committee

1948-49	Chairman	Constance Ewing	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
		Dan Graves	Willamette Univ. Library	Salem
		Lillian Nesbit	Walheur County Library	Ontario
1949-50	Chairman	Mrs. Adelaide Barker	Oregon Stbe Library	Salem
		Lillian Nesbit	Malheur County Library	Ontario
		Mary E. Phillips	Library Association of Portland	Portland

In the spring of 1948 a communication was received from Mr. Benninghausen, Chairman, A.I.A. Committee on Intellectual Freedom, concerning attempts at censorship of individuals or groups and suggesting that a committee for the State of Oregon be appointed to consider the matter (Minutes. Annual meeting. Portland, May 22, 1948) The committee was appointed with an explanation that it was a standing committee only and would serve individual libraries in time of need. (Minutes. Executive Board. Portland, November 12, 1948)

The report to the membership at the annual meeting, Salem, May 7, 1949, stated that the committee had not been called upon to investigate any situation in the state but had kept in close touch with the A.I.A. Committee.

No report was given in 1950. The committee did recommend reading New Resolution on Loyalty Programs by the A.I.A. Committee on Intellectual Freedom and Board on Personnel Administration, p. 234, A.I.A. Bulletin, June 1950.

The committee was not appointed in 1950-51, upon the suggestion that the committee not be appointed until a specific need arose. No committees have been appointed since 1950.

Library Development Committee

1950-51

Chairman Nell A. Unger Library Association of Portland Portland

1951-52

Chairman Mary E. Phillips Portland
 Carl W. Hintz Eugene
 Clare Sergeant Pendleton
 Mabel Doty La Grande
 Evelyn Cooper Klamath County Library
 Leone Mann Klamath F.
 Eleanor Brown Deschutes County Library Bend

1952-53

Chairman Mary E. Phillips Portland
 Carl W. Hintz Eugene
 Clare Sergeant Pendleton
 Mabel Doty La Grande
 Evelyn Cooper Klamath County Library K. Falls
 Eleanor Brown Deschutes County Library Bend
 Marjorie Chester Salem Public Schools Salem
 Ainsley A. Whitman Willamette Univ. Library Salem
 Chairman, Leg. & Lib. Std Com.

1953-54

Chairman Eleanor Brown Deschutes County Library Bend
 Resigned chairmanship prior to Executive Board meeting, Oct. 26, 1953,
 because of ill health.
 Chairman Martha Hansen Portland
 Carl W. Hintz Eugene
 Evelyn Cooper K. Falls
 Marjorie Chester Salem
 Eleanor Brown Deschutes County Library Bend
 Mrs. Lillie L. Larsen Silverton
 Ex-Officio Eloise Ebert Salem
 Oregon State Library

The appointment of the first Oregon Library Development Committee was a direct result of the regional interest in adequate library service in the whole Pacific Northwest. In its 1950 report to the members of the Pacific Northwest Library Association, the regional committee made these statements: The Pacific Northwest Library Association has had for many years as its objective the development of a complete and adequate modern library service for the whole area. The present Board of Directors has appointed a Library Development Committee to examine the situation with a view to suggesting an immediate and practical program in line with the long term objective. By modern library service we mean an adequate stock of books and other materials, access to reliable information, and the service of professionally trained people. Public libraries were developed necessarily as isolated local units. The revolution in transportation and communication now makes possible the use of improved highways, automobiles, trucks, airplanes, telephone, teletype, and radio to develop a public library system which furnishes all the people of great areas with library facilities formerly possible only in large municipal units."

This committee based its thinking on three premises:

- "(1) that convenient and ready access to the materials of knowledge, information and inspiration for all the people is an essential and desirable thing;
- (2) that the most feasible agency so far developed for making the full, unrestricted range of these materials available to all is a library system which centralizes the technical processing of materials and direct services to the people;
- (3) that the cost of providing the materials needed, plus the machinery for making them available to all is well within the financial reach of the entire area if planned and operated in an ingenious and business-like way."

The regional committee then outlined a program of inquiry and study to be carried out by various sections within the organization and by state committees. (The above from Report of Committee, 1953, pp. 2, 3.)

At the August 29, 1950, O.L.A. Executive Board meeting, Portland, the president reported the receipt of a letter from the president of P.N.L.A. proposing to all state agencies their cooperation in promoting the new regional library development program set up at Olympia, May 1950. Following the defeat of the Federal Library Demonstration Bill the P.N.L.A. committee proposed this regional approach through the extension of publicity, strengthening state organizations and the bibliographic center, and attempting to make libraries educational centers. A fund of \$1000 was proposed to care for publication of reports, expense of meetings and conferences and consultant services, to be shared by state and provincial agencies. Following a discussion of the original purpose of the Oregon Library Association Development Fund, it was moved and approved that the Executive Board recommend to the O.L.A. membership at the annual meeting, August 30, 1950, that the sum of \$100 from the general treasury and \$100 from the Library Development Fund be contributed to this regional Library Development Program. This recommendation was accepted by the membership.

The appointment of the Oregon Library Development Committee is reported in the minutes of the Executive Board meeting, Salem, January 27, 1951; the president reported a letter from Mary Ann Reynolds of the Richland Public Library, suggesting that a Library Development Committee of O.L.A. be appointed to work with the P.N.L.A. Library Development Committee, and further suggesting that the state representative on the P.M.A committee be a member of the state committee. The president stated she felt that if the state representative on the P.N.L.A. committee were chairman of the state committee the greatest degree of coordination between the two could be achieved, and Miss Nell Unger had accepted the O.L.A. Library Development Committee chairmanship.

The committee had not been formed at the time of the annual meeting, Eugene, May 19, 1951; but the chairman suggested that a strong committee of interested people be formed, headed by a chairman who would be on the P.N.L.A. Development Committee, and that the committee be so chosen that all sections of Oregon would have representation and that it be a rotating committee. This report was accepted.

The Oregon committee was appointed in the fall of 1951. Its purpose was (1) to make such studies as requested by the P.N.L.A. (2) to make recommendations for action by the state organization.

The items requested by P.N.L.A. were specific:

1. An analysis of the factors to be used in determining a regional library system: population, geography, economic transportation, and communication, literacy and education level, and other regionalized services.
2. Legal basis for establishing regional library systems.
3. Find out if an adequate study of the tax structure of the state has been made.
4. Present state aid for other public services in the state.
5. Study service to children and young people that exists in both public and school libraries.
6. What legal and voluntary certification exists for both public and school librarians.

(From Committee report, 1953)

The minutes of the Executive Board, Salem, January 5, 1952, record that the state report was to be completed at the end of three years.

The committee report, dated May 9, 1952 (In Secretary's files) states that the general committee met four times to consider prepared memoranda. The legislative and recruitment committees co-operated in supplying materials. The topics, as outlined by the P.N.L.A. Development Committee were studied by various committee members and memoranda prepared by them. The Legislative Committee examined the law and found that it did permit the establishment of regional library systems; casual conversation with the State Librarian indicated that some improvements in the present law might be desirable.

The membership voted, at the annual meeting, Ashland, May 10, 1953, two matters relating to library development were presented:

- A. The chairman of the O.L.A. Development Committee read a report from the P.N.L.A. Regional Library Development Committee recommending:
1. Consideration of needs for a foundation grant
 2. That a foundation be requested for money for research on library services in the Pacific Northwest;
 3. That a research bureau be set up at the University of Washington. The membership endorsed these recommendations.

B. It was voted that the O.L.A. Executive Board authorize the State Librarian to present to A.L.A. the plans which she had prepared in 1951 for the use of federal funds, to aid libraries, if such funds should become available, with the understanding that O.L.A. would present its own program as soon as its Library Development Committee could formulate a plan and the Association adopt it.

For the annual meeting, Bend, May 2, 1953, the Committee had prepared a 40-page preliminary report. They also presented a panel discussion at an afternoon session.

At the Executive Board meeting in Bend, May 2, 1953, the question was raised as to the advisability of appointing a Strategy committee to work with the Library Development Committee. After considerable discussion, it was decided that the Library Development Committee could devise ways and means of accomplishing its work.

The Committee met in Bend in August, 1953, and at the state library on January 8 and February 19, 1954. Miss Hansen revised the list of adult education agencies. The president wrote to trustees and friends of libraries in each county and attempted to provide for the development of a County Area Committee in every county of the State. The Committee was to study local library needs and to serve as contacts for the promotion of the legislative program.

The Committee, in co-operation with the Oregon State Library, held fourteen district meetings on a State-wide basis to bring library development problems to the attention of librarians and friends.

The Committee regretted that it was unable to write the bill to be presented to the legislature. However, the report of the Committee embodied the principles to be incorporated in the bill. At the business session of the annual meeting on May 1, 1954, the Association voted to accept the Library Development Committee report in principle, and instructed the committee to give further study to the presentation of the bill to the legislature. Realizing the necessity for money to finance a legislative campaign, a motion was made and approved that an assessment of \$1.00 per O.L.A. member at that time and another \$1.00 in the next six months be made. This assessment would raise approximately \$700, and the remainder of the money needed would come from the general fund.

Manual Committee

1953-54

Chairman

Pauline C. Howard

Reed College Library

Portland

Cora E. Mason

Ashland Public Library

Ashland

Elizabeth Findly

Univ. of Oregon Library

Eugene

1954-55

Same as above

Manual Committee
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At the 1953 annual meeting in Bend, the President, with the consent of the Executive Board, recommended that a committee be appointed to write a manual of procedure for O.L.A. officers and that a preliminary draft be prepared before the 1954 annual meeting.

This committee, composed of the three past presidents, was appointed in the summer of 1953. The President suggested that a history of the Association be included as a part of the manual.

The records of the Oregon Library Association (files of the President, Secretary, and Treasurer) were searched; Miss Stephens placed the files of the State Library at the disposal of the Committee.

The final form of the Committee's work was in three parts:

1. The Convention Manual, which was approved by the Executive Board, Corvallis, April 29, 1954. Fifty copies of this manual were delivered to the Executive Board January 14, 1955.
2. The Procedure Manual, which was partly reviewed and approved by the Executive Board, Corvallis, April 29, 1954. The Committee was instructed to continue. Fifty copies of this manual were delivered to the Executive Board January 14, 1955.
3. The History, on which the Committee worked the greater part of the year 1954-55. One hundred fifty copies were delivered to the Executive Board at the annual meeting at La Grande, April 30, 1955.

Nominating Committee

* 1941-42

Dessa Hofstetter	Malheur County Library	Ontario
Wilma Koehler	Hood River County Library	Hood River
Thelma Neaville	Eugene Public Library	Eugene

* 1942-44

Eleanor Brown	Deschutes County Library	Bend
Mary Blossom	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
Lottie Peters	Pacific University Lib.	Forest Grove

1944-45

Chairman	Josephine Baumgartner	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Mildred Cline	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Bernice Rise	Univ. of Oregon Library	Eugene

1945-46

Chairman	Ruth Hewitt	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Loretta G. Fisher	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Mabel Doty	La Grande Public Library	La Grande

1946-47

Chairman	Mildred Cline	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Lora Ives	Oregon State College Lib	Corvallis
	Norma Lee Peck	Library Assn of Portland	Portland

1947-48

Chairman	Agnes Shafids	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Marybeth Blair	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Dorothy Johnson	Grant High School Library	Portland
	Dessa Hofstetter	Oregon College of Ed. Lib.	Monmouth

1948-49

Chairman	Mrs. Marie H. Jackson	Oregon State College Library	Corvallis
	Myrtle Funkhauser	Southern Ore. Coll. of Educ.	Ashland
	Bess McCrea	Josephine County Library	Grants P.

1949-50

Chairman	Mary Frances Gilbert	(resigned) Wasco County Lib.	The Dalles
	Bertha B. Hallam	Univ. of Ore. Medical Sch. Lib.	Portland
	Mrs. Ruth Stratton	Oregon State Library	Salem
	Eleanor Davis	Albany Public Library	Albany

1950-51

Chairman	Mary Phillips	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
	Mrs. Carol Alderson	Reed College Library	Portland
	Gertrude Edwards	Library Assn of Portland	Portland

1951-52

Chairman	Hugh Morrow	Salem Public Library	Salem
	Lottie Lee Lamb	Univ. H. S. Library	Eugene
	Louise Prichard	Library Assn of Portland	Portland

* From State Library files: O.L.A. 1941 to date - Officers

Nominating Committee
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1952-53

Chairman

Clara Nasholm
Leona Fleetwood
Thomas Cahala

Eugene Public Library
Baker Public Library
Univ. of Ore. Dental Sch.Lib.

Eugene
Baker
Portland

1953-54

Chairman

Lora F. Ives
Mrs. Georgia Cook
Marjorie J. Pomeroy

Oregon State College Library
Oregon State Library
Malheur County Library

Corvallis
Salem
Ontario

Nominating Committee

The first officers were elected at the organizational meeting held at Timberline Lodge, June 14, 1940, to hold office until the next meeting.

The By-Laws Article V, Section I, of the Constitution adopted at Victoria, August 29, 1951, provided that prior to each annual meeting of the Association the President, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, should appoint a Nominating Committee of three members to nominate candidates for all elective positions. Section 2 specified that Vice-President and President-elect, Secretary, and Treasurer were the elective offices.

The constitution was amended in 1942 to make the representatives on the A.L.A. Council and the P.N.L.A. Executive Board elective officers. Later amendments, made necessary to make the terms of office coincide with those provided for in the respective constitutions of A.L.A. and P.N.L.A., specify that the nominating committee shall also secure two candidates for these offices in any year in which they become vacant. A member's consent must be obtained before his name may be placed on the ballot by the Nominating Committee.

At an Executive Board meeting, Salem, October 2, 1945, a suggestion was made that a two-year presidency might facilitate the legislative program of the Association. This suggestion was referred to the Constitutional Revision Committee for discussion; and at the annual conference of May 25, 1946, Salem, the matter was deferred until the 1947 meeting. At the annual meeting, Seattle, September 3, 1947, the Constitutional Revision Committee reported that it was hard enough to get a candidate for one year and recommended no change.

At the 1949 annual meeting, Salem, May 7, the Nominating Committee reported that it was difficult to obtain two names for each office. A motion for a constitutional amendment to permit presentation of one name for each office was considered; but it lost, and the problem was postponed to the following year. In 1950 no difficulty was experienced. (Minutes. Annual Meeting. Portland, August 30, 1950) and the Nominating Committee recommended that the Present method be continued one more year before formal action be taken.

At the annual meeting, Eugene, May 19, 1951, a motion was made, seconded, and carried that the practice of nominating two candidates for each office should be continued.

In the history of the Association there has been one election by mail. Because of war-time conditions and the small attendance at the annual meeting, Seattle, August 28, 1942, the president was authorized to appoint a Nominating Committee to carry on an election by mail for the year 1942-43, with the understanding that it was for this one year only.

Planning Committee

1946-47

Chairman

Eleanor Stephens
William H. Carlson
Mary McComb
Marie Sneed

Oregon State Library
Ore St. System of Higher Ed.
Klamath County Library
Library Assn of Portland

Salem
Corvallis
K. Falls
Portland

1947-48

Chairman

Eleanor Stephens

Oregon State Library

Salem

Planning Committee
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The Planning Committee was appointed at the Executive Board meeting, Bend, July 13, 1946. It was a special committee and its purpose was the planning for development of library service for the State. This committee made a detailed report, dated March 22, 1947 (In Secretary's files) offering a program for the Oregon Library Association for the two following years; attached was a tentative program for using funds requested in H.B. 367, the State Aid bill. (Note.-- This bill did not pass.)

At the annual meeting, Seattle, September 3, 1947, Miss Stephens made a report on the status of library work in the state and quoted a study of the disparity of service in various counties, varying from 7¢ per capita to \$1.35, to substantiate the Association's claim that State and Federal aid were essential for the best work. She cited Tillamook as a case of rapid development with available funds. She also pointed out the close relation between State and Federal aid--if we had the \$75,000 State Aid it would be matched by Federal funds, making a maximum of \$150,000--and refuted the argument of some that it would prove bureaucratic, because it would be administered within the state. The heavy load of individual service through the State Library would be lightened if there were adequate regional service on a county or bi-county basis. The recommendations of the Planning Committee, for use of such aid, were outlined in Exhibit C of this meeting. (In Secretary's files.)

The President, September 3, 1947, recommended to the new Board that this special Planning Committee be made a standing committee, due to the fact that funds might be available which would require consecutive and regular planning.

The next report was made at the Executive Board meeting, Salem, March 16, 1948. An attractive dodger on the county or regional library had been made available by A.L.A. through funds furnished by the liquidation of the divisions of Library Extension and State Agencies. (Exhibit B. Secretary's files) A mimeographed sheet outlining the details of the Public Library Demonstration in Oregon had been prepared. (Exhibit C. Secretary's files.) Attention was called to the progress of the Federal Aid bill S. 48 and the encouraging interest in library development evidenced throughout the State. Discussion of the committee's future work and duties passed into a discussion of the Oregon Library Development Fund and its special committee.

No further mention is made of this committee. Later activities of this nature have been carried on by the Library Development Committee.

Recruitment Committee

1948	Chairman Elizabeth Gilley	Library Assn of Portland	Portland
1948-49	Chairman Elizabeth Gilley Mary Downey Marjorie Chester	Library Assn of Portland Library Assn of Portland Salem Public Schools	Portland Portland Salem
1949-50	Chairman Elsie Lundborg Anne Bedinger Mrs. Marian Herr	Pacific University Library Umatilla County Library Library Assn of Portland	Forest Grove Pendleton Portland
1950-51	Chairman Brother David Martin Mrs. Rosemary McDonald	University of Portland University of Portland	Portland Portland
1951-52	Chairman Cora M. Miller Mrs. Isabel Tullis	University of Portland Portland Pub Sch, Dept of Instr. Materials, Lib.	Portland Portland
1952-53	Chairman Cora M. Miller Mrs. Isabel Tullis	" "	" "
1953-54	Recruitment and Scholarship Committee Chairman Donald K. Nelson Ivy Grover Elsie Lundborg Bernadine Gildersleeve Mary Rutherford	Eastern College of Ed. Lib Deschutes County Library Pacific University Baker High School Lib. Tillamook County Library	La Grande Bend Forest Grove Baker Tillamook

Recruitment Committee
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At the Executive Board meeting of the Oregon Library Association on March 16, 1948, the President read a letter from Eugene P. Watson, Librarian, Northwest Louisiana State Teachers College, Natchitoches, La., concerning recruiting for librarianship. Miss Eleanor Stephens recommended that a special committee be appointed to consider the matter. The President appointed Miss Elizabeth Gilley of the Library Association of Portland as Chairman of the new committee. In the year 1948-49 Miss Mary Downey of the Library Association of Portland and Miss Marjorie Chester of the Salem Public Schools served as the other members of the committee.

At the business session of the annual meeting in Salem, May 7, 1949, Miss Chester, in the absence of Miss Gilley, reported that the committee had corresponded with other state organizations about their work, had distributed ALA recruitment pamphlets "10,000 Careers with a Challenge," throughout the state and had spoken to teacher-librarians to encourage their cooperation in stimulating interest in the library profession. Due to the limited budget of OLA and limited staffs, the committee had not felt it feasible to engage in as active a program as some states were doing. At the October meeting of the Teacher-Librarians in Salem, Miss Chester asked for the cooperation of those attending in stimulating interest in the library profession. Also, at the April meeting of the OEA she distributed pamphlets to each librarian present.

At the meeting of the Executive Board on December 10, 1949, in the Central Library in Portland, Miss Elsie Lundborg, Chairman of the Recruitment Committee, reported that the ALA recruiting pamphlet was being revised. A scholarship fund as a means of promoting recruitment was proposed but not decided upon. At the business session of the annual meeting in the Central Library on August 30, 1950, Miss Lundborg urged individual responsibility in interesting persons in library work. Other members of the committee were Miss Anne Bedinger, Umatilla County Library, Pendleton, and Mrs. Marian Herr of the Library Association of Portland.

At the meeting of the OLA Executive Board in Salem on January 27, 1951, Brother David Martin, C.S.C., University of Portland, Chairman of the Recruitment Committee, reported that the committee would compile statistics on vacancies, enrollment in the field, comparison of salaries, etc., for the use of librarians in the state. Mrs. Rosemary McDonald was the other member of the committee. A detailed report was made and read at the OLA meeting in Eugene on May 19, 1951.

This report is in the Secretary's files, along with a report on S.250, Western Regional Higher Education Compact.

During the years 1952-53, Miss Cora Miller of the University of Portland was Chairman of the Recruitment Committee with Mrs. Isabel Tullis of the Curriculum Library of the Portland Public Schools as the other member of the committee. This committee prepared an exhibit of recruiting materials which was displayed at the annual meeting of the OLA in Ashland, Oregon, on May 10, 1952, and which was later sent to the State Library. A recruiting brochure "Paging Your Future" was planned and the first run of 200 copies was printed by Abbott, Kerns, and Bell of Portland and completed on August 20, 1952. These folders were distributed to the members present at the

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OIA breakfast in Victoria, Canada, on September 10, 1952, at the time of the PMIA conference. This brochure was officially adopted by OIA. 5000 more folders were finished on October 9, 1952, and the State Library volunteered to take care of its sale and mailing. This folder was sold so widely that it received national recognition. In 1953 AIA adopted it for national distribution through their joint Committee on Librarianship as a Career.

In 1953 the same committee prepared another brochure as a companion piece to the folder "Paging Your Future" intended for the use of librarians in the field in the hope that it would interest them in personally attracting recruits to librarianship. This folder was titled "Facing the Future" and 2000 copies were published by Abbott, Kerns, and Bell in 1953. The State Library again handled the sales and this, too, received national publicity.

(Draft prepared by Cora Miller)

Recruitment and Scholarship Committee

Since the functions of recruitment and scholarship seemed to go hand-in-hand, these two separate committees were combined in 1953. Application blanks for the scholarship and news releases were sent to librarians of public, college, and university libraries throughout the State.

The Committee met in Corvallis on April 30, 1954, and Miss Janet Flower was selected as the first award winner of the Marcia M. Hill Scholarship.

Resolutions Committee

1950-51

Mrs. Adelaide Barker

Oregon State Library

Salem

1952-53

Chairman

Elizabeth Findly

Cora E. Mason

Hugh Morrow

Univ. of Oregon Library

Ashland Public Library

Salem Public Library

Eugene

Ashland

Salem

1953-54

Chairman

Mrs. Florence L. Moberly

Mrs. Pauline C. Howard

Mr. C. R. Morse

Josephine County Lib.

Reed College Library

Multnomah College Lib.

Grants Pass

Portland

Portland

Resolutions Committee
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In 1951, Mrs. Barker presented the usual thanks to various individuals and groups who had contributed to the success and enjoyment of the conference. She also asked that the group stand in silent tribute to the memory of those members of O.L.A. whose deaths had occurred during the year.

In 1953 resolutions were presented thanking those responsible for the fine conference enjoyed at Bend.

At the 1954 conference at Corvallis, a special resolution was presented at the business session on May 1, when the Association stood in silent tribute to Miss Sarah J. Olsoy, a former member of the staff of the Library Association of Portland, who had passed away during the year.

Scholarship Committee

1952-53

Chairman	Eleanor F. Brown	Deschutes County Library	Bend
	Elsie Lundborg	Pacific University Library	Forest Grove
	Eleanor Gunther	Franklin H. S. Library	Portland
	Evelyn Cooper	Klamath County Library	Klamath Falls

1953-54 Combined with the Recruitment Committee to form the

Recruitment and Scholarship Committee

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Scholarship Committee

This Committee was appointed in response to the directive, at the annual meeting, Ashland, May 10, 1952, that the president appoint a committee to approve a Library Scholarship from O.L.A. funds and to make a report to the Executive Board.

The Executive Board, Salem, October 25, 1952, authorized "the Scholarship Committee to proceed with plans for awarding a scholarship to a library student this year, the amount of \$150 to be awarded from the general fund, and the Committee to prepare a code for future procedures on scholarship for presentation at the next board meeting, and that further financial support be arranged later."

The first formal meeting of the committee was held at the Portland Library, Saturday, December 6, 1952. All members of the committee were present; Miss Eleanor Stephens, State Librarian, and Miss Gladys Boughton, director of the University of Washington School of Librarianship, attended as advisors, at the request of the committee.

At that meeting the following general rules for awarding the scholarship were set up:

1. An application form was devised calling for three references, of which at least one should be a professional librarian.
2. Applicants must promise to remain in the state of Oregon for at least one year after graduation from library school, working in an Oregon library. If unable to fulfill this condition due to unavoidable circumstances, the holder will be asked to consider the award as a loan rather than an outright award.
3. A special committee consisting of Miss Boughton, or whoever might be director of the University of Washington Library School, the state librarian, and the chairman of the Scholarship Committee was decided upon to select the candidate. Applications were to be in by April 25th and the selection announced at the annual convention if possible.
4. The award is to be made upon the basis of scholarship, character, financial need, and professional interest in library work. Candidates must, of course, satisfy the requirements for admission to the School of Librarianship.
5. The Oregon Library Association reserves the right to withhold the award in any year in which there is no suitable candidate.

Application and announcement forms were then mimeographed. The announcement forms were mailed by the chairman and the State Library to all libraries, newspapers, radio stations, and institutions of higher learning in the state, as well as to the entire O.L.A. membership through the Oregon Library News.

Scholarship Committee
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In concluding her report to the membership at Bend, May 2, 1953, the chairman heartily recommended:

1. The Scholarship program be put upon a solid financial basis by increasing dues and setting aside a given amount rather than depending upon chance contributions.
2. All members act as a publicity committee of one to spread information about the scholarship and encourage eligible people to apply

The Executive Board, at Bend, May 2, 1953, was of the opinion that the Scholarship Committee could be combined with the Recruitment Committee, as the scholarship had been established and details of making the award formulated.