NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES

During October your association and the North Carolina Library Commission sponsored a series of seven regional or district meetings on public library service in North Carolina. Your editor was present at the meeting held in Greenville at the Sheppard Memorial Library on October 6, 1948. This was typical of the other district meetings. Two of the addresses of the day are presented in this issue The of bulletin. group your was welcomed to Greenville by Mr. T. I. Wagner, chairman of the Board of the Sheppard Memorial Library. Miss Allsbrook presented the "National Plan for Public Library Service." Following this Miss Beal presented the "library picture" of North Carolina today, which was followed by a discussion of the need for statistics by Miss Madge Blalock, Chief Library Assistant of the North Carolina Library Commission. This was followed by a discussion period and announcements.

Following this morning session the group enjoyed a lunch at the Airport Inn with more than fifty present. For the entire meeting there were sixty in attendance including representatives from almost every library system in the district.

Dr. John D. Messick, President of East Carolina Teachers College, spoke to the afternoon session on the place of the library in adult education. Following Dr. Messick's address we heard an unusually fine presentation of what the farm women of North Carolina want in the way of library service. This was presented by Mrs. W. R. Bullock, of Bethel, N. C., and is elsewhere in this issue. Following Mrs. Bullock Miss Nancy Gray, Librarian of Wilson County Library, presented an illustrated discussion of ways to encourage reading and use of books and libraries.