

# COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY WORKSHOP FOR EXTENSION LIBRARIANS

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Dr. Robert D. Leigh, Director of the Public Library Inquiry, was in charge of the Workshop for Extension Librarians held at Columbia University July 24 to August 11, 1950. The group of twenty registrants came from all sections of the United States, including North Carolina which was represented by Gladys Johnson, Librarian, North Carolina Library Commission, and Mrs. Martha K. Barr, Librarian, Rutherford County Library.

During the workshop the final summary volume of the Public Library Inquiry, *Public Library in the United States*, by Robert D. Leigh, was published. Against the background of this volume and Dr. Leigh's three years of observing American public library service and analyzing its

problems and possibilities, specific problems were presented by each member and were considered and discussed by the entire group.

The invited speakers for special sessions of the workshop were Dr. Charles F. Gosnell, New York State Librarian; Raymond Everett Williams, Watertown Regional Service Center, New York; Mrs. Carma Zimmerman, Washington State Librarian; Mrs. Mary Kenan Hadley, Librarian, Prince George's County Library, Maryland; Mrs. Lois Rainer Green, Director, State Public Library Service, Alabama.

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