

PROFESSIONAL READING

Suggestions by SARAH R. REED*

ARE COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARIANS ACADEMIC? Robert B. Downs. *College and Research Libraries*, January 1954.

A forthright plea for academic respectability and a denunciation of all substitutes for faculty status.

BEYOND THE FOUR HILLS. Doris Gates. *ALA Bulletin*, January 1954.

For all those who believe in the importance of books as guides for tomorrow's leaders. In this same issue is Dorothy Heiderstadt's CHILDREN ARE FUN TO KNOW. In the February *Bulletin* Trevor K. Serviss discusses READING AND CHILD GROWTH. And for stories of the Newbery and Caldecott award winners see *Library Journal*, March 15.

BOOKS FOR THE TEEN AGE, 1954. New York Public Library. *Branch Library Book News*, January 1954. 49p. 25 cents.

An annual annotated list of leisure reading selected largely from adult publications under the direction of Margaret C. Scoggin.

A COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY BUILDINGS BIBLIOGRAPHY, 1945-1953. Edna Hanley Byers.

The Second Library Building Plans Institute. Proceedings of the Meetings at Midwinter ALA Conference, Chicago, Illinois, February 1 and 2, 1953. (ACRL Monograph) Chicago, Association of College and Reference Libraries, 1953. 98 p. \$2.25. An annotated list by the librarian of Agnes Scott College.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARY STATISTICS [1952-53] *College and Research Libraries*, January 1954.

In this same issue is Robert H. Muller's study of librarians' WORK WEEK, VACATIONS, AND SALARIES IN MEDIUM-SIZED UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES. Academic library budget-makers might also be interested in Muller's TANGIBLE REWARDS, "The results of an informal questionnaire on prevailing wage scales sent to 56 medium-sized university and college libraries," and in the summary tables of an NEA Research Division study of COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SALARIES, both in *Library Journal*, March 1, 1954.

COMPANY-WIDE LIBRARY SERVICE. Jewell Maurice, Helen E. Loftus and Irene M. Strieby. *Special Libraries*, February 1954.

The development by the Eli Lilly Research Laboratories Library, Indianapolis, of efficient service, prompt bibliographic control and special files and techniques.

THE CORE OF EDUCATION FOR LIBRARIANSHIP. Lester Asheim, ed. Chicago, ALA, 1954. \$1.50

Report of workshop discussions on the feasibility of the core program in library education and the various elements in that core.

DIRECTIONS IN SCHOOL LIBRARY SERVICE TODAY. Irby B. Carruth, Harold Spears and Mary Peacock Douglas. *ALA Bulletin*, February 1954.

Problems, actualities and potentialities as seen by two school administrators and a school library supervisor. In HOW TO MEET THE QUEST (K-12) FOR KNOWLEDGE, Marion A. Bessette describes an effective school library program for 1528 pupils via one trained librarian and a \$3300 materials budget (*The School Executive*, February 1954). What library service can mean in terms of the needs and problems of today's youth is discussed by Ida Minkle in THE ROLE OF THE LIBRARIAN IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL GUIDANCE PROGRAM (*Wilson Library Bulletin*, February 1954).

EASY READING FOR ADULTS: 300 TITLES [published up to March 1951] HELPFUL TO LIVING IN AMERICA. New York Public Library. *Bulletin*, November

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- 1953-January 1954. Excellent critical annotations.
- HARVEST FROM AN AMPLE FIELD; ADULT EDUCATION EXPERIENCES IN TENNESSEE REGIONAL LIBRARIES. Julia Joplin Greer. *Tennessee Librarian*, January 1954.
- LIBRARY PORTFOLIO. Raymond G. Erbes, Jr. *Nation's Schools*, April 1954. Latest thinking and practice in planning school libraries.
- MAGAZINE READING OF SCHOOL CHILDREN. Elinor Yungmeyer. *Serial Slants*, January 1954.
- A study of magazines read by public elementary school pupils in grades 4 through 8 of Phoenix, Arizona, by means of reading records kept during a two-week period and questionnaires administered after these records were completed.
- NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL LIBRARIES UNDER SUPERVISION. Cora Paul Bomar. *Library Service Review*, October 1953.
- The development of school library service in this state.
- OUR COMMON INTERESTS AND PURPOSES. Flora B. Ludington. *PNLA Quarterly*, January 1954.
- The President of the American Library Association challenges every librarian to find a way to promote library development and service.
- PUBLIC RELATIONS NUMBER. *Wilson Library Bulletin*, March 1954.
- A big packet of ideas for everyone concerned with library revitalization publicity-wise or appearance-wise.
- REVOLT AGAINST REASON; BASIS OF BOOK-BURNING. Martin Hall. *Nation*, January 9, 1954.
- A temperature reading of intellectual freedom in the United States today.
- SCIENTIFIC MANAGEMENT IN LIBRARIES. Ralph R. Shaw, ed. *Library Trends*, January 1954.
- What sound facts and common sense can do to achieve effective library administration. Standardization, time and motion studies and flow charts are among the management devices discussed. Joseph L. Wheeler also challenges librarians to diagnose procedure in terms of efficiency and economy in his STREAMLINING "TECHNICAL PROCESSES" IN SMALL LIBRARIES (*Wilson Library Bulletin*, January 1954).
- SELECTED REFERENCE BOOKS OF 1953. Constance M. Winchell, *College and Research Libraries*, January 1954.
- Together with her 7th edition of the GUIDE and its first SUPPLEMENT, 1950-1952 (ALA, 1954, about \$3), this list provides a checklist of scholarly reference books. Librarians are grateful, too, for the more popular approach of Frances N. Cheney's *Wilson Library Bulletin* feature, CURRENT REFERENCE BOOKS.
- SUMMARY REPORTS OF THE MIDWINTER 1954 MEETING. Chicago, ALA, 1954. \$1.00
- Brief reports of all open and closed meetings.
- THE WEST IN FICTION. Jay Monaghan. *ALA Bulletin*, February 1954.
- A sprightly commentary on important writers of western fiction.
- WHY I SERVE AS A LIBRARY TRUSTEE. Lucy White Blackwell. *Tennessee Librarian*, January 1954.
- A refreshing testimonial from a trustee of the Jackson Free Library, one of the 20 libraries to receive ALA Adult Education awards (*Library Journal*, February 1, 1954, features adult education). The duties of library board members are also discussed in the *Library Journal* for January 15: TRUSTEESHIP: THE CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY, by Mrs. Josephine M. Quigley and IS INERTIA A BETRAYAL? by Marian C. Manley.
- The publications noted above may be borrowed from the North Carolina Library Commission, Raleigh, or the Library Extension Department of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.