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**North Dakota State Library
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TO THE

State Board of Administration



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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

To the State Board of Administration,
Bismarck, North Dakota.

Herewith is submitted the Sixteenth Biennial Report of the North Dakota State Library Commission, covering the period from July 1, 1936, to June 30, 1938.

LILLIAN E. COOK,
Secretary and Director.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR, 1936-38 STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION

North Dakota as a whole finds itself having outgrown its library garment. Most inadequate is the state library law which has no provision for regional library service, thus putting us quite out of line in library advance in the United States. The law should be rewritten to provide for a more modern approach to an enlarged field of library administration.

A second great handicap is in outgrown buildings. WPA grants have helped Dickinson to a new wing, and Grand Forks to a revamped basement room, for the children's and youth's collections, but most of our public library buildings are too small, often inconvenient and badly in need of modern lighting, ventilating, etc. Several of the larger towns need entirely new buildings, and all should be cleaned, repaired, and modernized.

Another legal need is a provision for certification of the professional staff of the public and school libraries to insure the hiring of trained workers as vacancies occur.

And finally there must be an appropriation adequate to provide for the necessary services the library is constantly called on to contribute to the educational, cultural, and recreational program of the community.

The emphasis on library work by the American Legion Auxiliary is responsible for several of the new libraries organized during the period, and a few are the result of the WPA recreational program and activities. Both WPA and NYA workers are helping in these new libraries.

A comparison of the directories for the last and present biennial periods show only four libraries discontinued, of which one was never firmly established, two were turned over to the schools, and one just died. Offsetting the four discontinued are five inaugurated, resulting in a net gain of one.

THE LIBRARY COMMISSION

A diagram of State Library Commission activities for the biennial period, 1936-38, would show a slightly reduced total area if measured by book circulation, and an irregular outline indicating bulges of advance or hollows of reduction in certain phases of work.

The State Library Commission is a busy place with a staff of three trained and three clerical workers trying to meet the library needs of a state largely rural and largely without professional book help, except as it is given from the state agency. As the schools become more and more conscious of the part books take in the educational field and aroused to the necessity of having these books used efficiently, the demands for professional organization of local collections go hand in hand with a greater demand for books, and the Commission finds itself unable to adequately

meet either demand. Were it not for the help supplied through WPA, the Commission would find itself critically handicapped in clerical and book-mending help.

The appropriation is very inadequate in several particulars—salaries, money for books, and travel fund which allows the Secretary to keep in personal touch with library conditions throughout the state. The cuts in various administrative salaries amounting to almost 40% for the Secretary have never been restored, and the schedule for the professional group is much too low. The service that can be given depends on the books available to meet the demands. The present supply results in empty shelves and all-too-long waiting lists of reserves.

A brief report of the three divisions of the State Library Commission follows—the administrative, or the work of the Secretary and Director; the Traveling Library Department, through which book service is offered to communities and schools as units, and the Reference Department, which serves individuals and organizations.

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Heavy office work with some field work, combining supervision of WPA library projects and visits to public libraries, comprised the work of two years. District meetings were held, and the Secretary attended such state and national meetings as she could, and gave book talks at local gatherings. In addition the field work is:

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| Visits to Public Libraries..... | 23 |
| Visits to WPA Projects | 20 |
| Visits to High School Libraries | 8 |
| Visits to State Schools..... | 7 |
| District Meetings | 6 |
| (With attendance of 132) | |
| State and national meetings..... | 5 |
| Special meetings..... | 1 |
| Talks to groups or state meetings..... | 5 |

The Secretary has prepared for each issue of the NORTH DAKOTA TEACHER a list of free and inexpensive material; has issued at irregular intervals the mimeographed sheet, "North Dakota Library Notes"; did the editorial work on a new edition of Bulletin No. 5 and read proof on it; has made numerous comparative studies of reference books; has prepared many special book lists and secured through correspondence with publishers, juvenile books which were reviewed, graded, listed, sorted, and sent as special exhibit material to the libraries of the state. These books eventually become the property of the State Library Commission, and constitute a most welcome addition to the juvenile collection.

TRAVELING LIBRARY

The most successful experiment the Traveling Library has undertaken is the half-size library of juvenile books for a three month loan.

All of the new juvenile books are put in these collections—330 this biennium—and the fact that they go to the rural school by parcel post brings the gratifying thought that these children away from railroad centers have the attractive books while they are fresh and new. Of course a large number of the older libraries of the parcel post size go to them, too.

There is a steady demand for the community libraries from the small club or little town library. Ten of these were added during the biennium. We try to choose the books carefully enough so that they do not lose their attraction when they are not "hot off the press." The traveling libraries contain the "best sellers" of the moment only when they show enduring qualities.

During this biennium about twenty community libraries that had served for fifteen years were retired. Thanks to the perennial quality of children's books, these could be salvaged and rejuvenated by the WPA menders and used to replace wornout books in grade libraries partially worn but still in circulation. This meant that all new books could go into new libraries and not be used for replacement.

Under the supervision of the state carpenter, an NYA boy made twenty-five wooden packing cases for parcel post libraries—a great help. And to Federal help thanks are due for the continual supply of freshly mended books. It has been possible to keep several women employed on the mending from both Reference and Traveling Library Departments.

One of the pleasant duties of the Traveling Library Department has been the loaning of fresh juvenile books to Camp Grassick each summer. These are arranged according to cottages and remain in camp during the full season. Other ideas for the use of the newer juveniles during the idle summer are welcome.

THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

Library service for persons of the state who do not have access to a local library who have definite reading wants, both for recreation and for study, is extended by the Reference Department of the State Library Commission. Reading lists on various subjects are compiled from time to time to aid the patron in his selection of books. In many cases selection is left to the reference librarian of the Commission.

Clubs are continuing to use the library service offered, not only for material to prepare papers, but for suggestions in program building. Forty-five study clubs are registered for regular service and more request information at various times.

Because of the extremely limited finances of the rural and elementary schools in some localities of the state, these schools have come to depend almost entirely on the resources of the Library Commission for reading

material for their pupils. During 1937-38, 400 rural and elementary teachers used this service regularly.

High school libraries are supplemented from the State Library Commission book collections and are supplied with up-to-date reference material for term papers.

In each group served—individual, club, and school—requests far exceed the supply. Because of this demand, reserve lists become long. Patrons must wait as long as ten months before their turn comes. In the case of *GONE WITH THE WIND*, seventy names were on the list with a supply of only six copies. Many times if material is out when the request comes, it cannot be sent at a later date because the time for its usefulness is past. An adequate book budget is necessary if the residents of the state without local library service are to be satisfactorily supplied with reading material.

WPA

The State Library Commission's sponsorship and supervision of the statewide WPA library project has continued throughout the period and we are very proud of what has been accomplished. The friendly reception of the project on the part of school and library boards we feel was largely because of the confidence they had in the Commission. The fact that many of the projects have continued since January, 1936, and that projects were welcomed wherever we felt the type of worker available justified establishing it shows how effective the service has been. Because there were no professionally trained people on relief, the projects have had to offer largely service covering, cleaning and mending of books; picture and pamphlet mounting; magazine reinforcement; repair of maps and record books, and the binding of Braille books. In public and school libraries where there are trained librarians, clerical help has been provided and has been trained to do much routine library work.

Library and school administrators have come to depend very much on this service, and we wonder with dismay what adjustment can be made when the Government no longer offers it. During the biennial period, approximately 496,000 hours of service have been given, which resulted in the rehabilitation of 428,102 books. In addition to the hours spent on cleaning and repairing books, 80,812 hours have been given for library service, either under the supervision of a trained librarian or in a small town by an especially capable worker.

STATISTICAL REPORT, 1936-38

Books

Traveling Library:

| | |
|--|--------|
| Number of traveling libraries..... | 376 |
| Number of libraries added during period..... | 23 |
| Number of books added during period..... | 780 |
| Number of books in libraries..... | 14,920 |

Reference Department:

| | |
|--|--------|
| Number of books | 18,380 |
| Number of books added during period..... | 1,745 |
| Number of pamphlets | 18,000 |

Circulation

Traveling Library:

| | 1936-37 | 1937-38 | Total |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Number of libraries circulated..... | 526 | 529 | 1,055 |
| School | 409 | 426 | 835 |
| Community | 117 | 103 | 220 |
| Number of books shipped | 19,348 | 19,012 | 38,360 |
| Number of new stations | 113 | 128 | 241 |

Reference Department:

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|
| Number of requests..... | 9,316 | 10,752 | 20,068 |
| Number of books circulated..... | 36,665 | 43,922 | 80,587 |
| Number of magazines, pamphlets.. | 9,839 | 10,469 | 20,308 |
| Total Reference circulation | 46,504 | 54,391 | 100,895 |
| Total Commission circulation..... | 65,852 | 73,403 | 139,255 |

Appropriation:

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Salary | \$ 1,600.00 |
| Clerkhire | 6,380.80 |
| Postage | 700.00 |
| Office Supplies | 500.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 300.00 |
| Printing | 350.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 500.00 |
| Travel Expenses | 250.00 |
| Aids to Libraries | 150.00 |
| Books | 2,750.00 |
| Preparation of Books | 200.00 |
| Binding | 450.00 |

| | |
|-------------|-------------|
| TOTAL | \$14,130.80 |
|-------------|-------------|

Public and Association Libraries with Municipal Help

| PLACE | 1930 Population | RECEIPTS | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | Tax | | Total* | |
| | | 1936-37 | 1937-38 | 1936-37 | 1937-38 |
| Over 2,500 | | | | | |
| 1. Fargo | 28,619 | \$ 14,661.52 | \$ 19,939.09 | \$ 18,286.05 | \$ 24,292.12 |
| 2. Grand Forks | 17,112 | 7,900.00 | 9,700.00 | 10,064.69 | 11,613.86 |
| 3. Minot | 16,099 | 5,917.66 | 6,846.73 | 11,058.83 | 11,490.26 |
| 4. Bismarck | 11,090 | 8,200.00 | 9,499.46 | 9,501.18 | 11,739.13 |
| 5. Jamestown | 8,187 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 5,697.50 | 5,519.46 |
| 6. Devils Lake | 5,451 | 3,647.08 | 3,826.99 | 5,529.25 | 6,826.46 |
| 7. Valley City | 5,268 | 3,418.10 | 3,526.13 | 5,799.54 | 6,043.18 |
| 8. Dickinson | 5,025 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 4,524.68 | 4,683.89 |
| 9. Williston | 5,106 | 1,735.18 | 2,604.23 | 6,379.30 | 5,533.47 |
| 10. Wahpeton | 3,176 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 5,986.37 | 6,154.42 |
| 11. Grafton | 3,136 | 1,100.00 | 1,033.83 | 2,741.25 | 2,558.99 |
| Under 2,500 | | | | | |
| 12. Ashley | 1,033 | ..... | 50.00 | 102.00 | 145.95 |
| 13. Bowman | 888 | 219.62 | 600.00 | 491.54 | 1,083.35 |
| 14. Carrington | 1,717 | 1,473.14 | 1,214.12 | 1,844.98 | 1,996.01 |
| 15. Casselton | 1,253 | 300.00 | 250.00 | 300.00 | 337.75 |
| 16. Ellendale | 1,264 | 375.00 | 375.00 | 589.65 | 597.71 |
| 17. Hankinson | 1,400 | ..... | 60.00 | 45.00 | 63.00 |
| 18. Lakota | 860 | 382.00 | 345.22 | 383.00 | 567.08 |
| 19. LaMoure | 889 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 628.22 | 600.00 |
| 20. Langdon | 1,221 | ..... | ..... | 498.92 | 479.99 |
| 21. Lidgerwood | 1,029 | 675.00 | 775.00 | 876.76 | 992.57 |
| 22. Lisbon | 1,650 | 1,009.82 | 1,300.28 | 2,157.91 | 2,220.08 |
| 23. Mayville | 1,199 | 700.00 | 650.00 | 820.70 | 828.84 |
| 24. Mott | 1,036 | 360.00 | 360.00 | 395.81 | 382.36 |
| 25. Oakes | 1,709 | 463.00 | 609.81 | 1,167.05 | 1,024.74 |
| 26. Park River | 1,131 | 400.00 | 400.00 | 408.95 | 400.00 |
| 27. Rugby | 1,512 | 100.00 | 100.00 | 152.30 | 124.40 |
| 28. Velva | 870 | 50.00 | 50.00 | 101.33 | 60.50 |
| 29. Wishek | 1,146 | 75.00 | 50.00 | 105.00 | 111.50 |

* Includes Balance

EXPENDITURES

| Place | Salaries | | Heat, Rent, Light | | Books and Magazines | | Total | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 1936-37 | 1937-38 | 1936-37 | 1937-38 | 1936-37 | 1937-38 | 1936-37 | 1937-38 |
| Over 2,500 | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Fargo | \$7,802.25 | \$8,184.50 | \$ 747.76 | \$ 852.26 | \$3,305.35 | \$3,469.46 | \$14,861.15 | \$17,389.58 |
| 2. Grand Forks | 3,901.38 | 4,827.38 | 897.36 | 662.76 | 1,482.70 | 3,093.33 | 9,260.49 | 10,201.03 |
| 3. Minot | 2,526.88 | 3,057.54 | 432.48 | 436.47 | 3,085.37 | 1,871.77 | 7,262.91 | 6,808.30 |
| 4. Bismarck | 4,087.95 | 4,848.30 | 636.38 | 841.53 | 2,030.04 | 3,940.00 | 8,398.88 | 11,535.66 |
| 5. Jamestown | 2,400.16 | 2,369.10 | 523.42 | 557.13 | 1,224.90 | 1,219.88 | 5,382.49 | 4,987.92 |
| 6. Devils Lake | 1,440.00 | 1,550.00 | 477.92 | 414.70 | 1,052.96 | 1,392.63 | 3,367.93 | 4,698.54 |
| 7. Valley City | 1,850.00 | 1,861.00 | 352.87 | 391.66 | 913.18 | 627.47 | 3,446.43 | 4,219.79 |
| 8. Dickinson | 1,933.25 | 2,071.50 | 302.05 | 296.67 | 1,492.09 | 948.82 | 4,069.05 | 3,607.74 |
| 9. Williston | 1,827.45 | 1,837.69 | 448.47 | 522.84 | 655.58 | 263.40 | 2,747.43 | 3,178.65 |
| 10. Wahpeton | 1,607.51 | 1,638.00 | 464.52 | 489.73 | 1,185.15 | 920.52 | 3,994.99 | 3,875.31 |
| 11. Grafton | 990.85 | 947.50 | 240.17 | 224.11 | 396.60 | 509.10 | 1,758.80 | 1,933.34 |
| Under 2,500 | | | | | | | | |
| 12. Ashley | 90.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 81.44 | 23.32 | 182.19 | 145.95 |
| 13. Bowman | 324.00 | 324.00 | 65.63 | 69.56 | 47.80 | 121.86 | 711.16 | 1,009.21 |
| 14. Carrington | 600.00 | 600.00 | 22.75 | 19.79 | 239.18 | 189.74 | 1,116.11 | 858.41 |
| 15. Casselton | 150.00 | 150.00 | ..... | ..... | 146.68 | 87.75 | 332.29 | 245.75 |
| 16. Ellendale | 370.00 | 370.00 | ..... | ..... | 150.52 | 186.84 | 589.25 | 593.62 |
| 17. Hankinson ..... | ..... | 60.00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3.00 | ..... | 63.00 |
| 18. Lakota | 216.00 | 216.00 | ..... | ..... | 50.00 | 17.86 | 382.00 | 567.08 |
| 19. LaMoure | 300.00 | 300.00 | 34.83 | 46.30 | 107.39 | 172.84 | 628.22 | 600.00 |
| 20. Langdon | 150.00 | 150.00 | ..... | ..... | 142.50 | 132.12 | 448.92 | 179.99 |
| 21. Lidgerwood | 546.00 | 543.50 | 70.68 | 165.16 | 87.08 | 117.08 | 842.11 | 902.75 |
| 22. Lisbon | 498.00 | 515.50 | 136.19 | 177.22 | 298.71 | 199.60 | 1,301.11 | 1,181.75 |
| 23. Mayville | 420.00 | 375.00 | 275.02 | 280.86 | 139.65 | 129.32 | 860.22 | 828.84 |
| 24. Mott | 300.00 | 300.00 | ..... | ..... | 75.00 | 70.00 | 395.81 | 452.36 |
| 25. Oakes | 605.00 | 633.00 | ..... | ..... | 288.51 | 79.12 | 931.92 | 794.11 |
| 26. Park River | 260.00 | 270.00 | ..... | ..... | 61.48 | 21.75 | 408.95 | 325.58 |
| 27. Rugby | 51.00 | 52.00 | ..... | ..... | 135.00 | ..... | 201.00 | ..... |
| 28. Velva ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 48.54 | 47.83 | 82.64 | 59.50 |
| 29. Wishek | 52.00 | 49.00 | ..... | ..... | 1.38 | 61.50 | 78.63 | 118.33 |

| Place | Circulation | | | Volumes | Borrowers | Hrs. Open Per Week | Rural Borrowers |
|----------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| | 1936-37 | 1937-38 | Total | | | | |
| Over 2,500 | | | | | | | |
| 1. Fargo | 208,288 | 205,333 | 413,621 | 35,927 | 19,040 | 72 | 416 |
| 2. Grand Forks | 76,085 | 79,163 | 155,248 | 15,173 | 8,526 | 66 | 75 |
| 3. Minot | 109,076 | 84,541 | 193,617 | 17,595 | 4,981 | 65 | 54 |
| 4. Bismarck | 165,120 | 183,312 | 348,432 | 16,760 | 7,114 | 65 | ..... |
| 5. Jamestown | 69,828 | 68,782 | 138,610 | 13,688 | 5,822 | 54 | 651 |
| 6. Devils Lake | 28,215 | 30,140 | 58,355 | 10,240 | 3,308 | 36 | 23 |
| 7. Valley City | 35,646 | 33,128 | 68,774 | 14,255 | 3,399 | 36 | 277 |
| 8. Dickinson | 59,260 | 61,132 | 120,392 | 13,278 | 3,016 | 36 | 218 |
| 9. Williston | 30,387 | 31,837 | 62,224 | 10,211 | 3,914 | 42 | 186 |
| 10. Wahpeton | 31,804 | 27,594 | 59,398 | 9,502 | 1,649 | 30 | 352 |
| 11. Grafton | 22,665 | 23,807 | 46,472 | 6,056 | 1,447 | 24 | 3 |
| Under 2,500 | | | | | | | |
| 12. Ashley* | 4,992 | 5,525 | 10,517 | 3,404 | 549 | 6 | ..... |
| 13. Bowman | 5,555 | 4,666 | 10,221 | 6,781 | 591 | 30 | ..... |
| 14. Carrington | 19,594 | 15,636 | 35,230 | 6,516 | 2,921 | 27 | 985 |
| 15. Casselton | 4,500 | 5,200 | 9,700 | 925 | 175 | 4 | ..... |
| 16. Ellendale | 14,413 | 14,864 | 29,277 | 4,472 | 993 | 14 | 350 |
| 17. Hankinson | 1,264 | 1,525 | 2,789 | 4,400 | 500 | 4 | 50 |
| 18. Lakota | 5,840 | 5,203 | 11,043 | 5,098 | ..... | 8 | ..... |
| 19. LaMoure | 8,220 | 7,221 | 15,441 | 3,420 | 1,097 | 6 | 467 |
| 20. Langdon* | 13,000 | 10,400 | 23,400 | 6,471 | 175 | 8 | ..... |
| 21. Lidgerwood | 5,416 | 5,844 | 11,260 | 4,398 | 730 | 26 | 346 |
| 22. Lisbon | 10,437 | 11,176 | 21,613 | 4,001 | 1,170 | 20 | ..... |
| 23. Mayville | 3,905 | 3,724 | 7,629 | 4,403 | 661 | 8 | ..... |
| 24. Mott | 3,889 | 4,554 | 8,443 | 3,453 | 1,071 | 7 | ..... |
| 25. Oakes | 25,394 | 26,081 | 51,475 | 6,501 | 1,205 | 30 | 342 |
| 26. Park River | 7,696 | 7,000 | 14,696 | 2,495 | 588 | 20 | 154 |
| 27. Rugby | 13,780 | 14,040 | 27,820 | 1,815 | 400 | 4 | ..... |
| 28. Velva | 9,620 | 9,500 | 19,120 | 5,765 | 425 | 6 | ..... |
| 29. Wishek | 3,750 | 5,200 | 8,950 | 1,159 | 176 | 5 | ..... |

* Charge for use of books.

ASSOCIATION LIBRARIES—NO MUNICIPAL HELP

| Place | Popu- lation | EXPENDITURES | | Volumes | Bor- rowers | Total Circu- lation | Hours Open Per Wk. | Free to Grades | Free to Public |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------|---------|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | | Books & Magazines | Total | | | | | | |
| 1. Barney | | None | None | 120 | 38 | 350 | 2 | Free | Free |
| 2. Bathgate | 292 | 100.00 | 304.00 | 1,200 | 80 | 2,250 | 4 | Free | Free |
| 3. Beulah | 913 | 2.70 | 25.10 | 1,458 | 17 | 1,050 | 1 | Fee | Fee |
| 4. Bottineau | 1,322 | ..... | 45.00 | 546 | 850 | 1,450 | 5 | Free | Free |
| 5. Bowbells | 695 | None | 8.37 | 783 | 310 | 850 | 2 | Free | Free |
| 6. Cando | 1,164 | 50.00 | 98.00 | 5,000 | 104 | 5,200 | 2 | Fee | Fee |
| 7. Cavalier | 850 | 25.56 | 66.61 | 1,797 | 281 | 4,300 | 4 | Free | Fee |
| 8. Cogswell | 426 | 9.90 | 20.97 | 1,550 | 177 | 1,000 | 3 | Free | Fee |
| 9. Courtenay | 350 | None | 2.39 | 527 | 108 | 400 | 1½ | Fee | Fee |
| 10. Crosby | 1,271 | None | 11.00 | 1,618 | 509 | 4,800 | 8 | Free | Fee |
| 11. Dawson* | 306 | 8.42 | 9.96 | 700 | 70 | 2,100 | 3 | Fee | Fee |
| 12. Drake | 644 | 65.70 | 76.96 | 1,485 | 520 | 3,600 | 3 | Free | Free |
| 13. Enderlin | 1,839 | 132.35 | 154.87 | 4,786 | 1,322 | 9,600 | 19 | Free | Free |
| 14. Gackle | 493 | 1.85 | 7.01 | 508 | 142 | 3,700 | 3 | Free | Free |
| 15. Goodrich | 468 | None | 27.50 | 818 | 37 | 1,850 | 2 | Free | Free |
| 16. Halliday | 305 | 4.50 | 30.00 | 607 | 81 | 3,888 | 22 | Free | Free |
| 17. Hamilton | 151 | 17.99 | 17.99 | 914 | 520 | 600 | 2 | Free | Fee |
| 18. Heaton | 1,292 | None | 1.70 | 564 | 50 | 300 | 45 | Free | Free |
| 19. Hillsboro | 1,317 | 124.16 | 124.16 | 480 | 110 | 11,500 | 11 | Free | Free |
| 20. Hoople | 325 | 60.00 | 70.00 | 950 | 250 | 3,750 | 1½ | Free | Free |
| 21. Hope | 535 | 44.62 | 44.62 | 987 | 30 | 1,750 | 6 | Fee | Fee |
| 22. Leeds | 725 | 35.00 | 82.50 | ..... | ..... | 4,028 | 6 | Free | Free |
| 23. Linton | 1,192 | 112.05 | 112.05 | 752 | 178 | 4,500 | 5 | Free | Free |
| 24. McHenry | 219 | None | None | 200 | 40 | 2,500 | 2 | Free | Free |
| 25. Mandan | 5,037 | ..... | ..... | 6,045 | 100 | 5,950 | 6 | Fee | Fee |
| 26. Mohall | 676 | 15.00 | 15.00 | 1,325 | 830 | 5,000 | 15 | Free | Free |
| 27. New England | 911 | 44.00 | 46.00 | 1,300 | 130 | 2,500 | 4½ | Free | Free |
| 28. New Rockford | 2,195 | 55.30 | 310.29 | 3,500 | 40 | 2,000 | 8 | Free | Free |

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|-----|-------------------|-----|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|
| 29. | New Salem | 804 | 23.00 | 33.00 | 1,400 | 479 | 7,500 | 25 | Fee | Fee |
| 30. | Pembina | 551 | 21.00 | 61.00 | 1,650 | 226 | 3,350 | 3 | Free | Free |
| 31. | Portal | 512 | 21.35 | 45.38 | 579 | 190 | 2,250 | 3 | Free | Free |
| 32. | Regent | 308 | 10.00 | 40.00 | 825 | 40 | 3,000 | 3 | Fee | Fee |
| 33. | Rolla | 852 | 72.54 | 138.57 | 1,136 | 1,146 | 1,100 | 2 | Fee | Fee |
| 34. | St. Thomas | 595 | 99.55 | 147.37 | 2,394 | 100 | 5,691 | 3 | Fee | Fee |
| 35. | Sanish | 463 | 4.00 | 4.00 | 501 | 64 | 828 | 1 | Free | Free |
| 36. | Towner | 622 | 35.00 | 42.96 | 978 | 566 | 3,929 | 17½ | Free | Free |
| 37. | Turtle Lake | 579 | 25.00 | 25.00 | 1,300 | 25 | 3,000 | 2 | Fee | Fee |

*Report covers 4 months.

The following libraries are functioning but have not sent in reports for either year of the Biennial Period: Garrison, Beach, Carson, Edgeley, Flaxton, Hansboro, Hettinger, Lansford, Leonard, Milton, Nече, Selfridge, Tioga, Tolna, Verona, and Wimbledon.

| Place | Name of Library | Librarian |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 ✓ Ashley | Public Library | Mrs. H. L. Woll |
| 2 ✓ Barney | Public Library | Mrs. James Little |
| 3 ✓ Bathgate | Public Library | Mrs. Herbert C. Thomson |
| 4 ✓ Beach | Public Library | Marion Wallace Mrs. R. E. Arnold |
| 5 ✓ Beulah | Public Library | Mrs. F. C. Worch |
| 6 ✓ Bismarck | Public Library | Erana Stadler |
| Bismarck | State Historical Library | Mrs. Florence Davis |
| Bismarck | State Library Commission | Lillian E. Cook |
| Bismarck | State Law Library | Mr. E. J. Taylor |
| 7 ✓ Bottineau | Forestry School | Ruth Clausen <i>Mrs. H. Tetter</i> |
| ✓ Bottineau | Public Library | Mrs. Arthur Clausen <i>Galbranson</i> |
| Bowbells | Study Club Library | Claire Buskrude |
| 8 ✓ Bowman | Public Library | Mrs. Mertie Pond |
| 9 ✓ Cando | Public Library | Mrs. Mai Riggs (Miss) |
| 10 ✓ Carrington | Public Library | Mrs. Ella Mae Hargrave |
| 11 Casson | Public Library | Mrs. Casson <i>Frank Rasmale</i> |
| 12 ✓ Casselton | Public Library | Mrs. C. W. Cotant |
| 13 ✓ Cavalier | Public Library | Mrs. Fred Harris |
| 14 ✓ Cogswell | Public Library | Mrs. L. A. Dodge <i>Oliver M. Burt</i> |
| 15 ✓ Courtenay | Public Library | Mrs. A. A. Hoffman |
| 16 ✓ Crosby | Public Library | Mrs. Wanda W. Berg |
| 17 ✓ Dawson | Public Library | Mrs. Edith Cross <i>Jos. A. Kooker</i> |
| 18 ✓ Devils Lake | Carnegie Library | Marie E. O'Brien |
| Devils Lake | State Deaf School | Roscoe W. DeLong |
| 19 ✓ Dickinson | Public Library | Gertrude Voldal |
| ✓ Dickinson | State Teachers College | Matilda Stoxen |
| 20 ✓ Drake | Public Library | Mrs. E. Van Horn |
| 21 ✓ Edgeley | Public Library | Mrs. J. E. Kipp <i>E. J. Ham</i> |
| 22 ✓ Ellendale | Public Library | Mrs. V. D. Coleman |
| ✓ Ellendale | Normal & Industrial School | Ruth McCarthy |
| 23 ✓ Enderlin | Public Library | Mabel I. Smith |
| 24 ✓ Fargo | Public Library | Inga Rynning |
| Fargo | Masonic Library | Clara Richards |
| ✓ Fargo | Agricultural College | Mrs. Ethel McVeety |
| 25 ✓ Flaxton | Public Library | Mrs. Clara Carter <i>A. H. Buckwitz</i> |
| 26 ✓ Gackle | Public Library | Mrs. E. A. Nisser |
| Garrison | Public Library | Arlene Youngers <i>K. I. Knapp</i> |
| 27 ✓ Goodrich | Public Library | Mrs. J. R. Doering |
| 28 ✓ Grafton | Public Library | Mrs. Emma Cobb |
| 29 ✓ Grand Forks | Public Library | Irma Walker |
| 30 ✓ Grand Forks | University Library | Della Mathys |
| 31 ✓ Hamilton | Public Library | Mrs. Andrew Knutson |
| 32 ✓ Hankinson | Public Library | Mrs. Gordon Stack <i>Esther Spreckle</i> |
| 33 ✓ Hansboro | Public Library | Mrs. Orlando <i>L. C. Argarand</i> |
| 34 ✓ Harvey | Public Library | Mrs. A. D. Hannes <i>A. D. Hannes</i> |
| 35 ✓ Heaton | Public Library | Howard I. Turner |
| 36 ✓ Hettinger | Public Library | Mrs. Milo C. Richardson <i>Mr. J. O. Wiggin</i> |
| 37 ✓ Hebron | | Mrs. Theodore Mark <i>E. Funk</i> |
| 38 ✓ Halliday | | (Mrs. Malcolm Pippin) |
| 39 ✓ Forman | | |

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| 40 | Hillsboro | Public Library | Mrs. Charles Shafer <i>Emergent Anderson</i> |
| 1 | Hoople | Public Library | Mrs. James Neeland |
| 4 | Hope | Public Library | Mrs. J. O. Wallum |
| 3 | Jamestown | Alfred Dickey Library | Mrs. D. J. Gumb |
| | Jamestown | Jamestown College Library | Mercedes Muenz |
| | Jamestown | Jamestown College Library | Pearl Carlson |
| | Jamestown | Insane Hospital | Dr. Lorenson |
| 4 | Kulm | Public Library | Mrs. C. O. Fergusson |
| 5 | Lakota | Public Library | Mrs. Helman Hullett |
| 6 | LaMoure | Public Library | Mrs. Carl Neverman |
| 7 | Langdon | Public Library | Mrs. E. J. Donovan |
| | Langdon | Public Library | Mrs. E. B. Bussie |
| 8 | Leeds | Public Library | Mrs. Albert Johnson |
| 9 | Leonard | Watts Free Library | Mrs. Elizabeth Kings Mamie Peterson |
| 50 | Lidgerwood | Public Library | Mrs. Elizabeth Kings |
| 1 | Linton | Public Library | Alice Stewart |
| 2 | Lisbon | Public Library | Berniece Johnson |
| 3 | McHenry | Public Library | Mrs. R. J. Leahy |
| 4 | Mandan | Public Library | Mrs. John A. Biggs |
| 5 | Mayville | Public Library | Cora Ames |
| | Mayville | State Teachers College | Mrs. Hazel W. Byrnes |
| 6 | Milton | Community Library | Mrs. R. H. Wait M. McCullough |
| 7 | Minot | Public Library | Jean Taggart |
| | Minot | State Teachers College | Mrs. Mabel Etheridge |
| 8 | Mohall | Public Library | James Donah J. Robinson |
| 9 | Mott | Inez Hendrickson Library | Margaret Mooney |
| | Neche | Public Library | Mrs. Herbert Briggs |
| 60 | New England | Public Library | Mrs. J. L. Boucher |
| 1 | New Rockford | Public Library | Vannie Hall |
| 3 | New Salem | Public Library | Lily Geiss <i>Mrs. E. H. Kruger</i> |
| 3 | Oakes | Public Library | Mrs. Edgar Christensen |
| 2 | Park River | Public Library | Mrs. L. N. Gullickson |
| 5 | Pembina | Public Library | Mrs. Pauline Brennan |
| 6 | Portant | Public Library | Mrs. W. H. McCauley <i>Chas. Bronsauer</i> |
| 7 | Regent | Public Library | Mrs. H. C. Rowe G. Trunkill |
| 5 | Rhame | Public Library | Mrs. Ed. Beckwith Elmer Oien |
| 9 | Rolla | Public Library | <i>Mrs.</i> Martha Marchand |
| 70 | Rugby | Public Library | Julia Sommer Mrs. Elsie Fagar |
| 1 | St. Thomas | Study Club Library | Mrs. E. T. Thompson |
| 2 | Sanish | Public Library | Mrs. M. J. Olson <i>E. Helvey</i> |
| 3 | Sanfridge | Public Library | Mrs. J. A. Caddell <i>Max Erker</i> |
| | Tioga | Masonic Library | Mrs. J. A. Caddell Public School |
| 4 | Tolna | Public Library | Mrs. C. S. Hawkins C. A. Porter |
| 5 | Towner | Public Library | Mrs. Edith Margaret Leach |
| 6 | Turtle Lake | Public Library | Mrs. W. N. Harris <i>Elmer Melby</i> |
| 7 | Valley City | State Teachers College | Loretta Swift |
| | Valley City | Public Library | Mrs. Helen Tracy |
| 8 | Velva | Public Library | Mrs. Edith Hobbs |
| 9 | Petersburg | | Mrs. Mattie Leite |
| 80 | Tolley | | Mrs. Geo. Peterson |
| 1 | Sheyenne | | <i>Mrs. E. Sweetson</i> |

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| 82 ✓ Verona | Public Library | Mrs. S. G. Robert ^{Anna Jones} |
| 83 ✓ Wahpeton | L/Beach Library | Elizabeth Hess ^{Helen Lincoln} |
| ✓ Wahpeton | State Science School | Libra Mink ^{Celestine McKay} |
| 4 ✓ Williston | James Memorial Library | Mrs. Ethel Kuenning ^{Mrs. Sylvia Hanson} |
| ✓ Wimbledon | Public Library | Jessie Watna ^{Mrs. H. Nelson} |
| ✓ Wishek | Public Library | Mrs. T. A. Alexander |
| 7 ✓ Watford City | | R. M. Christensen |
| 8 Zeeland | Public Library | Mrs. A. E. Boschee |

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