

Annual Report 1943

The Board of Directors of the University of California Library has pleasure in submitting to you the following report for the year ending May 31, 1943.

The library has been open for reading and the circulation of books has been rising for some months.

Circulation

Books have circulated 57,905 times, a drop of 8,000 from 1942. This drop came in the whole division, interest in the library has been maintained.

Public Division Circulation	47,905 times	100%
Library Circulation	10,000 times	17%
Special Circulation	10,000 times	17%

Circulation by class

General works	1,000
Reference	100
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100

The circulation shows the trend in the library, reference, library, public, private and special. The public and library circulation is increasing, the public and library circulation is increasing, the public and library circulation is increasing.

Registrations

Public	1,000
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100
Library	100
Special	100
Public	100
Library	100
Special	100

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Lawrence Free Public Library

LILLIAN J. CONSTANT, LIBRARIAN

Lawrence, Kansas

Jan. 25, 1944.

To the Board of Directors of the Lawrence Free Public Library:

It is my pleasure to submit to you the thirty-ninth annual report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1943.

Our library has been open for reading and the circulation of books 306 days closing the usual holidays.

Circulation

Books have circulated 87,202 times, a drop of 6,984 books over 1942. This drop came in the adult fiction, interest in non-fiction has been maintained.

Adult fiction circulated	45,602 times	52%
Adult non-fiction	13,744 times	15%
Juvenile books	27,850 times	33%

Circulation by classes

General works	1,582
Philosophy	336
Religion	446
Social sciences	966
Philology	70
Science	485
Useful arts	1,663
Fine arts	1,087
Literature	1,541
History	1,807
Biography	2,381
Travel	1,370

Our circulation shows the trend of the times. Books on philosophy, philology, science and travel have held their own. Magazines giving current news and history books have increased. All others have dropped. The period of loan for the majority of books is 14 days.

Registration.

We closed the second year of the three year registration period with:

Adult borrowers	6,623
Juvenile "	1,813
Total	8,436

Cards issued during 1943:

Adult	1,166
Juvenile	540

130 of these are rural patrons
There have been 58 deposit patrons.

Book Stock

Number of volumes at beginning of the year:

Adult department	27,623
Juvenile "	7,668

Number of volumes added during the year:

Adult department	854
Juvenile "	396

Number of volumes withdrawn during the year:

Adult department	780
Juvenile "	299

Number of volumes at end of year

Adult department	27,697
Juvenile "	7,765

Total

	35,462
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Newspapers received

	10
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Periodicals received

	118
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Gifts 2

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Our bookreviews continue to hold the interest of our patrons. We had nine reviews. The following assisted this year. Mrs. Thomas Pearson, Mrs. Earnest Boyce, Rev. Oscar Allison, Mrs. F. B. Dains, Rev. Harold Barr, Mrs. John Hankins, Mrs. Harold Barr, Prof. John Hankins.

The children's department in cooperation with the Parent Teacher Association continued the summer reading program. 153 new cards were issued during this program, 350 children completing the course and given certificates. 9,035 books were read during the summer.

Book week was observed with an identification contest based on books about the United Nations.

Mr. C. C. Seewir who was at one time an Indian agent for the government loaned his collection of Indian relics to the children's department.

On behalf of the staff I thank the board for it's ever loyal cooperation.

Lillian J. Constant