

Webb City, Missouri
Jan. 9, 1951

The library board met in monthly session at 7 p. m. in the library. The following members were present: Mrs. W.C. Ball, Mrs. B.C. Aylor, Mrs. Ray E. Watson, Mrs. J.M. Hiron, Olive Gilmer, Louis Burris, and Jack Carmack.

Mrs. Ball presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Mr. Carmack a financial report as follows:

Expense(December,1950)-----	\$617.13
Balance in treasury(December,1950)-----	2950.27
Balance in treasury(December 1949)-----	1819.98
Dep osit January 2,1951-----	1218.16
Total dep osit January 5, 1951 -----	4168.43

From this amount the 1300 which was advanced by the Mayor and city council to the library board to recondition the building was returned to the regular city fund leaving a balance of \$2868.43 in the library fund.

Mr. Burris reported that he had been unable to get repair work on the furnace started, but hoped to begin work soon. He also said that the roof of the building was leaking. Mrs. Ball instructed him to secure a roof man to repair the leak.

Mrs. Baldrige asked permission to keep the library open on Tuesday evenings until 8 o'clock. She said that by so doing, the library might serve people who work throughout the day and have little or no time to visit the library. All members were pleased with the idea, and approval was made informally. Mr. Burris made the motion that Mrs. Baldrige and the custodian, Mr. Attebury, be paid for their extra hours service. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Watson. It carried.

The monthly report was read by Mrs. Baldrige. An interesting item was the addition of a number of new books to the shelves.

Mr. Carmack made the motion that the report be accepted and filed. Mr. Burris seconded the motion. It carried.

The motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Aylor and seconded by Mrs. Hiron.

Olive Gilmer

Olive Gilmer, Secretary

Webb City, Missouri
March 12, 1951

The library board met in monthly session at 7 p.m. in the library. The following members were in attendance: Mrs. W.C. Ball, Mrs. B.G. Aylor, Mrs. Ray E. Watson, Mrs. J.M. Hiron, Olive Gilmer, Hal.M. Wise, Jr., and E.R. Switzer.

Mrs. Ball presided.

Since Mr. Carmack was absent, no financial report was available.

Mrs. Ball presented a request from Mrs. Elsey to permit the Webb City Garden Clubs to use the basement room for a flower show. Mrs. Aylor made the motion that the Clubs be allowed to use the room. Mr. Switzer seconded the Motion. It carried.

Mrs. Ball spoke of the bequest of the late Mrs. Madge Hilton. She said that she thought that board members should be thinking about how the money might be used to buy something appropriate to the memory of Dr. and Mrs. Hilton.

Mrs. Baldrige read the monthly report which was accepted and ordered filed. Items of interest were: (1) a goodly number of new books; (2) the gift of a book from Mrs. Beverley Bunce in memory of Mr. Bunce.

The motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Watson and seconded by Mrs. Hiron.

Olive Gilmer

Olive Gilmer, Secretary

Webb City, Missouri
April 10, 1951

The library board met in monthly session at 7P.M. in the library. The following members were present: Mrs. W.C. Ball, Mrs. B.C. Aylor, Olive Gilmer, E.R. Switzer, Louis Burris, and Jack Carmack.

Mrs. Ball presided.

Mr. Carmack presented a financial report as follows:

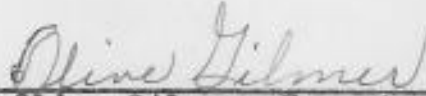
Balance April 1, 1951-----	\$2356.14
Expense April 1951-----	\$228.18
Balance April 1950-----	\$1826.30

Mr. Burris reported that he had been unable to secure the service of a roof man. He said that there are evidences that all four corners of the roof are leaking. The copper flanges on the roof are badly worn and are probably the cause of the leaks.

The matter of paying Mr. Attebury, custodian, for extra work on election day was informally discussed. Upon the motion of Mr. Burris, seconded by Mrs. Aylor, the board members voted to table the matter until further investigation could be made.

Mrs. Ball suggested that Mrs. Baldrige investigate the purchase of appreciation cards to send to donors of books thus expressing the appreciation of library officials for such gifts.

Mrs. Baldrige read the monthly reports of February and March which were accepted and ordered filed.



Olive Gilmer, Secretary

Webb City, Missouri
May 9, 1951

The library board met in monthly session at 7 P.M. in the library. The following members were present: Mrs. W.C. Ball, Mrs. B.C. Aylor, Mrs. J.M. Hirons, Mrs. Ray E. Watson, Olive Gilmer, Louis Burris, Hal M. Wise, Jr., and Jack Carmack.

Mrs. Ball presided.

Mr. Burris presented a letter from the custodian, Luther Attebury, concerning the lack of remuneration for extra duties he had performed on the last two election days. After an informal discussion concerning the duties of a custodian, Mr. Burris made the motion that beginning June 1st, the monthly salary of the custodian be increased to \$60 per month with the understanding that he perform any and all duties pertaining to the library without any additional remuneration. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carmack. It carried unanimously.

Mr. Burris suggested that the president appoint a committee to confer with Mr. Attebury concerning his duties. Mrs. Ball then named Mr. Burris and Mr. Carmack to serve in that capacity.


Mr. Carmack presented the financial report as follows:

Balance April 30, 1951-----	\$2193.48
Expense for April, 1951-----	\$254.89
Balance for April, 1950-----	\$1639.84

Mrs. Baldrige, the librarian, read the monthly report which was accepted and ordered filed.

Mr. Burris to give his copies of The Saturday Evening Post to the library.

The motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Carmack and seconded by Mrs. Aylor.



Olive Gilmer, Secretary

Webb City, Missouri
June 19, 1951

The library board met at 7 P.M. in the library. The following members were present: Mrs. W.C. Ball, Mrs. J.M. Hiron, Mrs. B.C. Aylor, Mrs. Ray E. Watson, Olive Gilmer, E.R. Switzer, and Jack Carmack.

Mrs. Ball presided.

In the financial report Mr. Carmack reported a balance of \$2011.13 as of May 31, 1951. The balance for May 31, 1950 was \$1412.70. The expense for May 1951 was \$214.24.

Mrs. Ball reported that Mr. Burris had expressed a view that the use of the library should be more liberalized. In the past public use has been confined to civic organizations. Mr. Switzer pointed out that it would be somewhat of a risk to remove restrictions because of the fact that there are so many undesirable organizations seeking quarters for meeting places. No action was taken concerning this matter.

^{Ball} Mrs. Burris reported that Mr. Burris had interviewed the custodian, Mr. Attebury, concerning his duties in and about the library. Mr. Burris told him (Mr. Attebury) he is to perform such duties as window washing, cleaning book shelves, mowing the lawn, pruning shrubbery,----any work about the library, and that he is to take direction from the librarian. In general the board expects better and more gracious service. Likewise the board members expect him to look to them to adjust any misunderstanding.

Mrs. Ball instructed Mr. Carmack to install coal as soon as he thought it advisable.

Mrs. Baldrige read the monthly report which was accepted and ordered filed. An item of interest was the addition of a number of new books, also the gifts of more than 100 books from Mr. and Mrs. Stoneking and David Smith.

The annual report was also read. It showed that 2500 people avail themselves of the use of the library. This fact shows the value of the library to a city of approximately 7000 people. Other items of interest are available in the report which is filed in the secretary's record. Upon the motion of Mr. Switzer which was seconded by Mrs. Aylor, the report was accepted and ordered filed.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President---	-- Mrs. W.C. Ball
Vice President-----	--- Mrs. B.C. Aylor
Secretary-----	--- Olive Gilmer
Treasurer-----	--- Jack Carmack

Mrs. Baldrige was re-elected as librarian.

A motion to increase Mrs. Baldrige's salary \$25 per month retroactive to May 1, 1951, was made by Mr. Carmack and seconded by Mrs. Watson. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion for a vote of commendation to Mrs. Baldrige for her splendid work as librarian was made by Mrs. Aylor and seconded by Mrs. Hirons. The motion carried unanimously.

The motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Hirons and seconded by Mr. Carmack.

Olive Gilmer

Olive Gilmer, Secretary

Webb City, Missouri
October 9, 1951

The members of the city library board met at 7 P. M. The following members were present; Mrs. W. C. Bill, Mrs. J. M. Hirons, Mrs. Ray E. Watson, Mrs. B. C. Aylor, Olive Gilmer, E. R. Switzer, and Louis Burris.

Mrs. Ball presided.

Since Mr. Carmack was absent, no financial report was available.

Mr. Burris reported the flue of the building had become filled with soot and that the custodian, Mr. Attebury, along with his son had been unable to clear it so he (Mr. Burris) had called Clarence Hare to do the work. The cost amounted to \$5.50.

Mrs. Baldrige reported that 22 tons of coal had been installed.


The matter of extending the Business and Professional Women permission to meet in the library was discussed. In informal discussion it was pointed out that the organization is civic and therefore does many worthwhile projects. Mr. Burris made the motion that the club be extended permission to meet in the library. Mr. Switzer seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Mrs. Ball stated that she believed a budget committee for the library board might be advisable. All members concurred in the idea. Mrs. Ball then appointed Mr. Switzer, Mr. Burris, and Mr. Carmack to act as such a committee.

Mrs. Baldrige read the monthly report. Noteworthy items were: new adult books 37; juvenile, 45; a gift of \$5.00 from Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Kuhn for a book as a memorial to Miss Caroline Hacker; petty cash balance \$810.00.

The motion to accept the report was made by Mrs. Aylor and seconded by Mrs. Watson. It carried.

The motion for adjournment was made by Mrs. Watson and seconded by Mrs. Aylor.


Olive Gilmer, Secretary

