

If it is decided to offer a course in library methods this new cataloguer might devote part time to teaching. It should be noted, however, that people competent to teach library courses command high salaries.

### CSEP

During the biennium the library has had an average of eleven CSEP students engaged on special projects. I am glad to report that all these recipients of this government aid were industrious, eager to work, and in all cases highly satisfactory. The presence of these extra students added greatly to the supervisory duties of the regular staff, and as each CSEP helper could labor only a few hours a week, there could be little continuity to their work.

### BINDERY REPAIR DEPARTMENT

	1936-'37	1937-'38
Volumes bound .....	2,023	1,884
Volumes repaired .....	1,360	1,071
Volumes in pamphlet binders .....	2,149	2,174
Total .....	5,532	5,129

This department enables the library to bind its most important periodicals as soon as a volume is completed, thus reducing the danger of losing parts that are very difficult and expensive to replace. The decline in books during the last year was caused by the illness of the binder.

### INTERLIBRARY LOANS

	1930-'31	1935-'36	1936-'37	1937-'38
Books borrowed .....	272	496	386	309
Books loaned .....	328	411	489	456
Total .....	600	907	875	765

Other libraries have found that the administration of interlibrary loans is their most expensive function. At least one-third of the time of the director's secretary is devoted to this work, and in addition must be counted the labor of wrapping. So lacking are scholars in bibliographical accuracy that the library has found it necessary to recheck all local requests, both as to author and title, before they are sent out.

### CARD CATALOGUE

During the past year modern label holders were applied to the 900 drawers of the public catalogue. These carry lettering three times as large as the old labels and make the catalogue much easier to use.

### GIFTS

During the biennium the library received from Mrs. Frank Strong fifty volumes on political science and law from the library of the late Chancellor Strong. By the will of Professor Charles G. Dunlap, the library acquired his fine collection of English literature amounting to about 3,400 volumes. Owing to its limited staff, the library has not been able to catalogue these books.

### STAFF CHANGES

I have to report the resignation of Hope D. Murray, Marjorie Rumble, Ruth L. Hoff, and Grace Endacott, all of whom served this library for several years. The death of Nell Hudson, for twenty years law librarian, must be recorded.

In conclusion, I desire to acknowledge the loyal support I have received both from the regular staff and the student assistants.

Respectfully submitted,

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