THE PRESIDENT REPORTS

Dear N.C.L.A. Members:

I am pleased to announce that as of August 1, 1969, the North Carolina Library Association will have as its permanent mailing address Post Office Box 2414, Raleigh, N. C. 27602. On June 17 the Executive Board of North Carolinians for Better Libraries and the Executive Board of the North Carolina Library Association met together at The Archives and History-State Library Building in Raleigh. Both boards agreed to share expenses of office space in Branch Banking and Trust Building in Raleigh and to share expenses of the secretarial services of Mrs. Evalyn Allen. This is a great step forward for our association and I predict that much will be accomplished by these two groups cooperating and doing everything possible to promote better library support and library services in our state.

Keep in mind the dates for the Biennial Conference of N.C.L.A. to be held at the White House Inn, Charlotte, N. C., October 23-25, 1969. The new and the old Executive Boards will have a dinner meeting Wednesday night, October 22, but registration will not begin until Thursday morning, October 23.

At the March 22, 1969, N.C.L.A. Executive Board meeting in Charlotte a discussion of how to get a truer picture of N.C.L.A. membership took place. The Board concurred that (1) members and prospective members should be notified when it is time for payment of dues through notices put in North Carolina Libraries, North Carolina Library Newsletter and North Carolina School Media Bulletin (2) individuals should be asked to bring membership cards to the Biennial Conference (3) conference registration fees should include:

a. fee of $5 per member for entire conference

b. fee of $10 per new member which includes $5 membership fee and $5 conference fee

c. fee of $2 per day for each member not attending entire conference

(4) all persons attending a biennial conference must either be members of the Association or authorized guests (5) all meetings of the biennial conference will be monitored. Admission will be by membership badge or authorized guest badge (6) a different color will be used for the badge of new members and authorized guests (7) dues for new members paid at the conference will apply for calendar year 1970 (8) all dues paid after October 1, 1969, will be applied to calendar year January-December 1970. No one will be turned away from the registration desk but will be given an opportunity to pay $10 which will include membership fee, conference fee and a year's subscription to North Carolina Libraries. This is much less than most people pay to attend a conference if they are not members and will give membership in the North Carolina Library Association.
We are most grateful to Mr. Charles Adams, Executive Director of National Library Week and his committee and to Mrs. James Harper, Chairman National Library Week Lay Committee and her committee for all the work that was done to make 1969 National Library Week in North Carolina an outstanding affair. The N.L.W. luncheon at North Carolina State University Faculty Club was well attended. Many of the State legislators attended as guests of N.C.L.A. Governor Scott and Mr. David Stick spoke to the group and each message gave evidence of the sincere interest that each speaker has for the library program in our state. The speeches will be published in North Carolina Libraries a later date.

Miss Charlesanna Fox is the Executive Director of National Library Week in 1969 and Mrs. Vera Melton will serve as Deputy Director. The Chairman for Lay Committee will be announced later.

Miss Charlesanna Fox has been appointed to represent The North Carolina Library Association on a Joint Committee to work toward forming a State Depository Library

Miss Eunice Query has interesting plans for the program of the 1969 Biennial Conference. David H. Clift, Executive Director of the American Library Association, speak at the first general session and Mr. John Berry III, Editor of The Library Journal will be the banquet speaker. You will be notified of other highlights of the program a later date. Please plan to attend the conference.

Sincerely yours,
(Mrs.) Mildred S. Councill
President
North Carolina Library Association

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