Dear Folks:

The first year of the 1951-53 biennium has been filled with many and varied tasks and privileges for the Association and its officers. Some of the work planned for the past year has been done; we have found willing and efficient leaders in many areas, and your co-operation has been appreciated.

During the twelve months, the Executive Board has set in motion plans and projects suggested by the membership, and we sincerely hope that by the conclusion of the biennium in 1953 it will be possible to turn over to you a report of true progress that will be satisfactory.

We have continued our policies for strengthening public relations both within the state and with agencies and institutions and associations in other areas. Greetings were sent to the Alabama Library Association during their convention in April; congratulations went to the Cumberland County Library on the occasion of the opening of their new library; best wishes were offered to Mr. Rush and his staff at the dedication of the new, greater University of North Carolina library. A letter expressing appreciation for the tireless and unselfish service given to the schools of North Carolina was sent for the scrapbook of the North Carolina High School Library Association when it met in Salisbury.

Especial recognition is taken of Dr. Benjamin Powell and his work with the Committee on Federal Relations; of Charlesanna Fox as Chairman of the Committee for State Legislation; of Alice Hicks and the Constitution Committee; of Hallie Bacelli and her Editorial Board of NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES; of Margaret McIntyre for her leadership in the Children's and School Librarians Section; of Evelyn Mullen, Elizabeth House, and Charlesanna Fox for their Trustees Workshop and the other excellent accomplishments within the Public Librarians Section.

May I wish for each of you a pleasant and successful summer season?

Cordially,

JANE B. WILSON, President