DEAR FOLKS:

January and February appear to be traveling months for librarians. Dr. Benjamin Powell represented the Association at the Officers’ Conference held prior to Mid-Winters in Chicago, and, because of Miss Antoinette Earle’s illness, also represented us on the Council of the A. L. A. We are glad that Miss Earle is well again, and it is with pleasure that the Executive Board announces that Miss Earle, the official alternate for NCLA councilor, will represent the Association in California at the regular 1953 Conference.

Mr. O. V. Cook and Miss Gladys Johnson attended the important sessions of the reorganization of the Editors’ Round Table which met during Mid-Winters. Miss Charlesanna Fox, Miss Evelyn Mullen, and Miss Elaine von Oesen, acting for the president, attended the February meeting of the State Legislative Council in Raleigh.

January 16-18 were filled with many pleasant and profitable conferences and discussions with Miss Margaret Ligon in Asheville relative to the October state conference. Meal prices and functions, places for meetings, and a schedule were studied and planned. Since a tentative program has already been set up, it is most important that all Chairmen of Sections and Committees who have not filed their request blanks, send them to me at once. The arrangements committee will continue to try to meet all preferences mentioned, but, of course, those chairmen who have already made their wishes known are being given first choice.

The Association was presented by me at the inauguration of Dr. Joseph Clarke Robert at Coker College in Hartsville, South Carolina, on January 30th. I took greetings to your many friends who were in attendance.

February 11, Miss Nellie Roberson, Head of the Library Extension Division of the University of North Carolina Library, presented the joint committee of NORTH CAROLINA AUTHORS, recently published by the North Carolina English Teachers Association and the North Carolina Library Association, to the Bull’s Head audience. Brief summaries of the work and short explanations of its publication were given. Orders for NORTH CAROLINA AUTHORS are still being accepted, and it is the hope of the Executive Board that each member and each library represented in the Association own a copy of this interesting and helpful biographical aid.

It is not only a time for traveling, but a time for paying dues. Marianna Long is busy sending out notices, and she hopes that you will be busy sending in checks!

The next meeting of the Executive Board of the Association will be held in Durham, March 21st, at 10:00 a. m., and it is the wish that any section or member having a particular item of business to present would bring such a request to the president or the secretary.

The Study Committee of NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES and the editorial board of the official organ are still seeking suggestions and constructive criticism for and of the publication. At the end of the present biennium it is the plan of these committees to have evolved a satisfactory publication policy: one that will be readily acceptable to the membership.

May I wish you a pleasant spring?

Cordially,

—JANE B. WILSON,
President

Plan now to attend the N.C.L.A State Convention in Asheville, October 22, 23, 24, 1953.