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## THE SCHOLARSHIP-LOAN FUND Of The North Carolina Library Association

Miss Mariana Long reports that the Scholarship-Loan Fund of the North Carolina Library Association has grown to \$275. Librarians and friends of the late Maud Whitson of Asheville have given a memorial to her for this fund. The Greensboro Library Club has voted \$100 from its scholarship fund and 60 cents from each member's dues to be contributed annually. Other individuals have sent in contributions. This fund is one which is being raised by efforts of individual members in the association, and each member is asked not only to contribute but also to look for ways and means within their community to help with this project. In order to handle these funds as well as other funds of the association, the Executive Board voted that the association be incorporated. When this has been accomplished, members of the association may be freer to go beyond its membership to solicit help towards increasing the scholarship-loan fund. It is hoped by this fall to have a sufficient amount on hand to ask for applications for its use in encouraging and aiding worthy candidates to enter or continue library school training.

The last issue of the ACRL Recruiting Bulletin stressed throughout the importance of the individual's contacts and the practicing example

of each working librarian. "It should be reiterated that personal contact is the most important single recruiting device." It suggests that most librarians have been deficient in following up aggressively the interest revealed by likely prospects or by stirring up that interest where it may already be latent. The Scholarship-Loan Fund is in existence for use in North Carolina and is something you can talk about to young people interested in library work. There are other ways also of helping these young people, but a little financial help is often just enough encouragement to make the difference in the field of work chosen.

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