

TAR HEEL LIBRARIANS AND FRIENDS OF LIBRARIES

Bessie Mae Cowan, formerly librarian at Mitchell College, is now employed by the Statesville Public Library . . . *Mrs. Davis Purcell* is the new Librarian of Mitchell College . . . *Mrs. Richard L. Sugg* has accepted the position of Librarian in Southern Pines as of February 1, 1953 . . .

Spencer Murphy, representative of NCLA on the Library Commission, and Editor of the SALISBURY POST, has won the State editorial writing award for the third time. His editorial entitled "Total Threat", asking the public to be alert to the threats of communism, was chosen as the best daily newspaper editorial published in a North Carolina daily during 1952, by the North Carolina Press Association. Mr. Murphy defended the request for \$620,000 for State Aid to Public Libraries, before the Joint Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly, in a speech which received favorable comment from several members of the Committee. He is performing with distinction the duties entrusted to him by the Association in placing him on the Library Commission and NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES is proud to salute Mr. Murphy's recognition by his fellow journalists.

Dr. Benjamin E. Powell, Chairman of the Federal Relations Committee of NCLA, has been doing outstanding work as Chairman of his Committee. Reread his article in the last issue of NORTH CAROLINA LIBRARIES on "Library Services Bill", and if you have not been receiving the Committee's legislative "news letter" write Dr. Powell. His last "news letter" was re-mimeographed in Washington and mailed throughout the nation.

Mrs. Mary Peacock Douglas had an article "Plans and Equipment for School Libraries" in LIBRARY TRENDS, Volume 1, January 1953 . . . *Eunice Query* has written an article "Some Laboratory Experiments Prior to Student-Teaching in Library Science", published in a recent issue of EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION . . . Reprints of the article from the February 1953 ALA BULLETIN, "The Functional School Library: A Superintendent Looks at it", by *Mr. B. L. Smith*, Superintendent of Schools, Greensboro, may be secured from *Mrs. Rachel DeAngelo*, Executive Secretary, American Association of School Libraries of ALA. This article was written upon request, after Mr. Smith had been guest speaker for a School Librarians Annual District meeting.

The Winter of 1953 issue of AMERICAN HERITAGE, an historical quarterly published by the American Association for State and Local History contains three articles which were written by *William S. Powell*, N. C. Collection, UNC. Titles are: "North Carolina Foods", "Sir Walter Raleigh", and "Roanoke". In addition, Mr. Powell contributed a column entitled "History News" . . . *Virginia Powell* (Mrs. William S.), Assistant in the Order Department, UNC, has been made editor of the NEWS SHEET, official publication of the Library Staff Association.

Enjoying a mid-winter vacation in January, was *Miss Mary H. Thornton*, Librarian of the North Carolina Collection at UNC. She sailed from Norfolk, on the S.S. Maasdam, a Dutch ship, for a two-weeks cruise in the Caribbean, with land tours at Haiti, Puerto Rico, Venezuela, Barbados, and Martinique. . . . The Division of Health Affairs, UNC, has appointed *Miss Dorothy Long* to the position of Cataloguer. *Miss Long*, a native of Tobaccoville, has been in library work at Camp Lejeune, Veterans' Hospital in Virginia, and at the University of Kentucky, before coming to Chapel Hill.

Recent changes in the *Duke University Library Staff* include: *Carlyle J. Frarey*, became assistant librarian on September 1, 1952. Mr. Frarey compiled the index to the last volume of COLLEGE AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES. . . . *Jay Luvaas* was appointed in September to succeed *E. Grabam Roberts* as director of the George Washington Flowers Memorial Collection. *Dr. Roberts* is now director of libraries at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa . . . *Miss Mattie Russell* has been appointed curator of the manuscript collection. Since 1948 she had been Assistant-Curator . . . In January, *Miss Miriam Jones* (Emory 1952) assumed her duties in the reference department at Duke, replacing *Miss Tattie Mae Williams*, who had taken a position in the reference department at Georgia Tech, Atlanta.