

75th ANNIVERSARY

The Pack Memorial Library in Asheville celebrated its 75th anniversary on January 25, 1954. A reading club organized and incorporated the Asheville Library Club in 1879 and opened a subscription library. In 1911 the name was changed to the George Willis Pack Memorial Library Association in honor of the donor of the present building. Late in 1918 the Association voted to give the library to the city and on January 2, 1919 the Pack Memorial Library was opened as a free public library. On July 29, 1940, the first of three bookmobiles given to the library by R. Lee Ellis of the Asheville Coca-Cola Bottling Company, was accepted by the library. The Haywood Road Branch, in West Asheville, was opened in May, 1953. Progress and growth have marked the development of library service in Asheville and Buncombe County and *North Carolina Libraries* salutes the Pack Memorial Library on its 75th Anniversary.

The Intellectual Freedom issue of the *ALA Bulletin* (November, 1953) is must reading for every librarian, trustee and faculty member. If you need extra copies, they are 25 cents each. American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago 11, Ill.

Libraries needing copies of Lyman C. Draper's "*Kings Mountain and Its Heroes* (Cincinnati, Thompson, 1881) will be glad to know that Mrs. Monte Wales of Gastonia has signed a contract with the Continental Book Company of Columbus, Georgia, to reprint this history. The price will be \$10.30.

The Corriher-Linn-Black Library at Catawba College held an informal opening on November 17, 1953. An article about this library with pictures and floor plans is planned for the next issue of *North Carolina Libraries*.