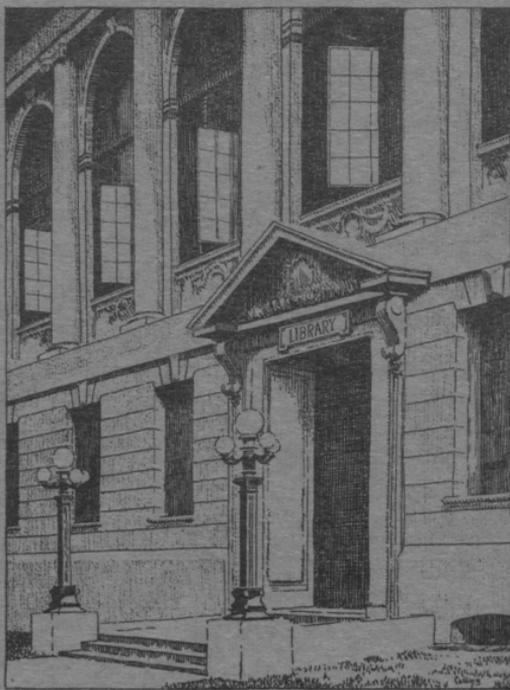


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November 2, 1906.

Mr. H. C. Severance,
University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

I am authorized to notify you that you have been appointed to the position of librarian of the University of Missouri, at a salary of \$1800.00 a year beginning January 1, 1907. It is understood that you will be allowed one month's vacation each year and that the entire library administration will be under your direction subject only the the President and the Board of Curators.

I shall be glad to have your formal acceptance of this appointment as soon as convenient.

Very truly yours,


Secretary of the University.

INTRODUCTION

Dr. Henry Ormal Severance has reached the retiring age set by the University of Missouri for all its faculty and retires September 1, 1937, on the Carnegie Foundation fund. He has served the University of Missouri Library for thirty years, 1907-1937.

The Committee on University Studies and the Library Committee, each of which he is a member, honored him with a dinner at the Tiger Hotel, May 21, 1937. He and Mrs. Severance were honor guests of the Book Review Club, June 2, 1937, an organization which was initiated by him. The Kiwanis Club of Columbia conferred upon Dr. Severance an honorary life membership at the June meeting of its Executive Board.

The Columbia Library Club of which he was the founder in 1907, gave a banquet in his honor Saturday evening, May 22, 1937, in the Tiger Hotel, Columbia, Missouri. Club members, the President of the University of Missouri, former Presidents, faculty members, students, and citizens of Columbia participated. Dr. Severance gave a most interesting address on "Thirty Years A-growing". He told of the growth of the University of Missouri library from 1907 to 1937.

Dr. A. Ross Hill and Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, former Presidents of the University of Missouri, and Mr. Charles H. Compton, Assistant Librarian of the St. Louis Public Library and former President of the American Library Association, gave brief addresses. Dr. B. Lamar Johnson, former President of the Library Club, Dean of Instruction and Director of Libraries of Stephens College, served as toastmaster. Dr. Frederick A. Middlebush, President of the University of Missouri, presented, with a few appropriate remarks of appreciation, Dr. and Mrs. Severance with a book of letters written by faculty members, the library staff, other members

of the library profession, colleagues, and many other friends. There are over two hundred of these letters of appreciation and friendly greetings bound in full olive green morocco with this title on the front cover in gold letters:

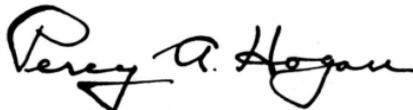
Letters to

Dr. Henry Ormal Severance

On Completion of Thirty Years of Service

1907--1937

Members of the Library Staff of the University desiring to preserve these addresses have provided for their publication with a brief sketch of Dr. Severance's life and his writings, in the present form as a token of their esteem and affection for their leader.



To Mr. Severance more than to any other man is due the honor of having brought the Library to its present condition of high efficiency. And this he has done under the gravest difficulties.



(President Jesse's statement taken from his Foreword to Severance, H.O.: History of The Library of the University of Missouri. 1911.)

The Columbia Library Club banquet
in honor of Dr. Henry Ormal Severance,
May 22, 1937, Tiger Hotel, Columbia, Mo.

Dr. B. Lamar Johnson, Toastmaster:

Tonight we are gathered here to honor a man who is a noted scholar, an author, an educator, and a leader in the field of librarianship, but to us, his friends who are here tonight, Dr. Severance is more than an author, he is more than a scholar, he is more than an educator, and he is more than a librarian. Dr. Severance is to us a friend and I hope that the theme of our thoughts together may be thoughts of friendships, thoughts of generosity, and thoughts of human interest which have to such an extent motivated the work of Dr. Severance in his thirty years at the University. It is a real privilege to present to you our friend, Dr. Henry Ormal Severance, who will give the address of the evening on the subject: "Thirty Years A-growing".

Dr. Severance:

This is the second address which I have written for this occasion. I tried out the first one on the reference librarian, my secretary, and on my wife and daughter. They all said, "It will not do. It is too academic, too many statistics. You need more human interest items". So I have rewritten it in a lighter vein and believe me I just did not submit this one to them, as I knew I would not have time to write a third talk.

"The Library--Thirty Years A-growing", I am too modest to mention the growth of the Librarian during these thirty years which has been as pronounced as the growth of the Library itself.

The beginning of this century was the beginning of a forward movement in the expansion of

the University of Missouri and the date on which a modern library was installed. That the College of Agriculture should remain in Columbia had been decided, several professors had resigned under persuasion, the move of the students to oust the President had been abortive. President Richard Henry Jesse was ready to move forward with his plans. He brought a Hoosier from Stanford University and made him professor of physiology, a promising young man from the University of Chicago and made him a professor in that virgin field called sociology, a young scientist from the University of Virginia to be professor of zoology, a young Canadian professor from Nebraska to develop the School of Education; and James Thayer Gerould from Columbia University to be Librarian. These new additions to the faculty as well as many older men on the faculty demanded books for their students and for themselves. A new method of teaching was now in vogue. Formerly the courses in the curricula were textbook courses, one text owned by the student for a course, but now professors assigned readings in ten or more books which the library was to furnish.

President Jesse had, at least, two objectives - a modern Library and a School of Education.

Mr. Gerould, fresh from the metropolis of the United States, came on as Director of all the Libraries of the University of Missouri and began to scout around to find these libraries over which he was to be the chief. He found the central collection, or as it is usually called the main library, in the west wing of Jesse Hall and four departmental collections in the same building. He found two libraries in the medical building, three in the agricultural building, and so on until he rounded up thirty-five collections on this little campus. He could not find a list of the books in the main library because there was none. Purchases of books for departmental libraries were made by the professors in charge, and not reported to the librarian. The periodical files were tied up unbound. The student who wished to borrow a book had to deposit

\$3.00, and then he had to write his name in a ledger, following the author and title of the book he had borrowed. To us the procedure was cumbersome, slow, and inefficient. It was to the Librarian who had come from a library which was modern in every way. He was here to modernize the procedure. His first move was to get a dictionary catalog of the main library. Then he proposed to incorporate many of the departmental collections into the main library. Did the professors who had office collections object? They certainly did. Compromise! Yes, the Librarian cataloged fifteen collections then sent all the books back and charged them to the respective professors. Isn't it an interesting coincidence that the University of Missouri Library began with thirty-five collections and gradually consolidated them into one large central library and five branches while our friend, Dr. Johnson, in his experiment at Stephens College should begin with a central library and disperse its collections into classroom collections, dormitory libraries, and libraries on special subjects, such as art and science? The result of this experiment will determine whether Stephens College should have a library building or simply offices for the librarian and his staff.

Such were a few of the conditions of the University of Missouri Library when the present Librarian arrived on January 1, 1907. His mind was full of interrogation points. The north door of the west wing of Academic Hall, where the Library was located opened, into the reading room. In the south end were stacks with a loan desk and rail, the dividing line between the reading room and stacks. On a board, rather high up, on the north side of the front stack were these words and numbers: "Hymn 30 and 269", like one sees in a large church. What did they mean? Convocation—religious exercises were held here. Students getting their lessons at the tables found themselves in the midst of a worship service—Scripture, prayer, songs by the faculty and students. The Library reading room was filled, at

least, twice a week for convocation. Commencement dinners were served in the Library reading room in 1887. and after the fire in 1892, the Library was housed in Gerhlings' Restaurant. Now chapel services were in the Library reading room, what next?

It was a period of open stacks, open office, and workrooms for students. The Librarian often returned to his office to find his chair and desk occupied by students apparently so intense in study that he had to arouse them and ask them to find another place. Open stacks! Are not all of you in favor of open stacks? Students learn so much by coming into physical contact with books. Let me tell you how open stacks worked in 1907. Between classes a few students would go into the stacks to study. Two boys and two girls would remove two stack shelves and put them crosswise of the stack aisles and use them for seats, then, tete a tete they would have the best time visiting, chewing gum, and spooning. Just too bad to shut them out of the stacks. Wasn't it? Poor things!

The problem of limiting the number of "reserved books" has been a perennial one. In 1907, we had about 125 books on reserve. In 1936, we had about 5,000 books on reserve. Would not 25 or 30 books for a course be a maximum number which a student could reasonably be expected to read in part, in addition to his textbook? The limit for books for class assignments has, for many years, been the limit of shelf space. I could name a professor who used to bring books from the stacks in truck loads, more than 200, and place them on reserve. One day, I said to him "Why not reserve all the books in the stacks for your course?"

Another thing which I did not understand in 1907, was why the professor of mathematics should have 200 books charged to him for use in his private office and why other professors had similar collections charged out. Then I learned that the collections were departmental libraries and

were charged to the various professors. I can assure you that all the tact, persuasion, and cajolery I could use, over several years were necessary to get the return of all the books. If the Librarian had not insisted on a large central collection of books, our book collection might have been scattered and shelved in a hundred or more departmental libraries. I could not think then, and still cannot think, of any valid reason for having departmental libraries in Latin, Romance, and Greek—three collections on the second floor of Academic Hall and one departmental library in political science on the third floor, when the main library was on the first floor of Academic Hall. I could not understand why the histories of Rome should be in the Latin collection and the histories of Greece in the Greek collection instead of being in the history section of the main Library. Dr. J. C. Jones, Dr. W. G. Manley, and Dr. Raymond Weeks in charge of those collections were very gracious and reasonable men. They submerged their personal interests in the greater good and favored the incorporation of the private collections in the main Library. Other professors in charge of office and laboratory collections, in time, came to favor this centralization. They favored a large, strong central library. Within five years this policy of centralization became well established. The thirty-five collections have been reduced to five branch libraries and six laboratory collections. Any business man will admit that it is more economical to have all books for a central library and its branches purchased, processed, and carded in a central office by a trained staff than it is to have several units, such as a law library, a medical library and other branches provide technically trained personnel for the various collections.

There have been and there are those men on the faculty who would have dispersed the books in the main Library and set up complete library units in the branches. A former dean of the Law School

persistently urged a separate unit for the Law Library which would have required more than one librarian. Other faculty men have strenuously sought additional departmental collections.

After the World War, there was an unusual amount of thieving of books and writing of false signatures. This was very annoying to the Librarian. One spring evening, you might have seen "Daddy" Defoe, Chairman of the Committee on Discipline for Men Students, and the Librarian sitting in an upper room of a house on Fifth Street. The Librarian had received a report from a reliable source that the N— boys had a lot of books in their room which had been stolen from the stacks of the University of Missouri Library. We had called on the boys at 5 o'clock that afternoon, but we could not find any library books. After dinner, we got a tip that the American Express Co. had delivered a box of books to the boys so we returned, took possession of their room and waited for them to return. They must have seen the officials sitting in their room as they did not return. Well, you would not expect "Daddy" Defoe and the Librarian to sit there all night without suspecting that they had been discovered, would you? At 11 o'clock, "Daddy" called for a hatchet and a student who lived in the house. Off came the cover of the box! What a find! Eighty of our library books, and they had just been returned from St. Louis as the consignee had refused to sell them. The Library ownership marks had been removed and a personal bookplate had been pasted in each book. Well! It cost the boys' father, a banker, \$162.00. Several of the books were from our collection of books on criminology. Maybe physical contact with books is stimulating.

We think of the growth of a library in terms of books. These are acquired in three ways: by purchase, by gifts, and by exchange. When a person evaluates a library he stresses the source material for research. He wants to know which

journals and which publications of learned and scientific societies are in the library. In science, the earliest results of research are published in the scientific journals. Complete sets of journals and transactions of societies has been the policy of our Library. Whatever money could be spared, after the books needed for courses were secured, was expended for subscriptions and for long runs and complete sets.

Members of the Faculty have been very helpful in building up the Library. With the aid of the late Dr. George Lefevre in selecting material, the Library has accumulated the most important journals in the biological sciences. Great credit should be paid to Dr. C. W. Greene who cooperated so fully with the Librarian in building up a medical collection, second to none in a two-year school. The fields of anatomy, bacteriology, pathology and physiology are well covered. The Virchow's Archiv and Pflueger Archiv are invaluable. These and other sets cannot be had for love or money. Through the aid of Dr. Earl R. Hedrick, Professor of Mathematics, the Library acquired nearly all of the worthwhile mathematical journals

If you would visit our Agricultural Library go through its stacks, herdbook room, and the delightful and spacious reading room, you would wonder how it was all brought about. I will tell you. The Library accommodations and facilities are due largely to Dean F. B. Mumford. He began the collection when his office was in the old agricultural building now called Switzler Hall. When Waters Hall was erected in 1907, this collection, the Experiment Station's books, and the horticultural collection were merged into one collection. This Agricultural Library has a collection of more than 20,000 volumes and thousands of unbound bulletins, circulars, and reports. It receives practically all of the publications of agricultural experiment stations of the world.

The Library could not have grown adequately to the needs, if the Presidents of the University of Missouri had not been actively interested and given their loyal support. Dr. A. Ross Hill, when President, secured the appropriation of \$75,000 for a site and \$200,000 for the central portion of the building in 1913, after two unsuccessful attempts. The appropriations for operations, previous to 1930, were sufficient to enable the Librarian to purchase annually considerable source material. President Hill is reported to have said that the Library would be the last institution on the campus to have its funds cut, if decreases had to be made. Under his administration, the appropriations were more liberal so the staff was largely increased and consequently the accessions increased.

During President Jones' administration, the General Assembly made a larger than usual appropriation, ostensibly as a mark of distinction to the late President Jones. From that fund the Library received the largest appropriation which it had received up to that date.

President Brooks was solicitous for the interests of the Library and for an adequate staff. He had a keen appreciation of the service which the Library was rendering.

During the depression, through no fault of President Walter Williams, the Library funds were so meagre that several members of the staff were dismissed, others placed on part time, and many subscriptions were eliminated. It was a hard blow from which the Library has not yet recovered. However, I feel that, under the administration of President Middlebush, the Library is entering a period of expansion and efficiency not equalled in the past.

A list of the important purchases which the Library has made during the years is in my History

of the Library, but I wish to call attention to the purchase of the Flach Library of 6,000 volumes in 1920, which I consider the best purchase the Library has ever made. This collection is rich in early French law, history of mediaeval France, history of Alsace-Lorraine and in comparative legislation. I was in Paris after the War, as European Representative of the American Library Association, and I inspected the Library with Eduard Champion, of the firm of Honoré Champion. I bargained with him through an interpreter. After the purchase, I undertook to tell Madame Flach, in French, of our appreciation of the Library, that we would take good care of the books, and of the respect we had for her late husband. She evidently did not think much of my French as she replied, "I speak English."

The Friends of the University of Missouri Library have been very generous toward the Library. Their gifts and those from institutions are larger than the annual purchase list. State institutions seldom receive gifts of importance unless they are rendering outstanding services. For this reason, a state university library does not attract worth while gifts until it has acquired some prestige. President Jesse had raised the standard of the University of Missouri and had acquired such an unusual faculty that the University was elected to membership in the Association of American Universities. It acquired the reputation of being one of the great universities of the United States. I was early impressed with the greatness of the University of Missouri and with the unusual accomplishments of Dr. Richard Henry Jesse as President of the University. I felt that the University was held in high esteem abroad. I had learned that the Bibliothèque Nationale of Paris was issuing a Catalog of its Library, a volume at a time, and that the Minister of Education had the distribution of this and of certain historical documents. I composed a letter to be sent to the Honorable Minister, stating the needs of our Library, located

in the middle west of the United States, and assured him of the very great appreciation the University of Missouri would have if his Honor could grant the favor. Dr. Raymond Weeks, our Professor of Romance Languages at the time, translated the letter into French and made it conform to French usage. I requested President Jesse to sign the letter which he did with pleasure. To my great surprise the three volumes of the Catalog and about seventy-five volumes of documents—Collection de documents inédits sur l'histoire de France and Inventaire général des richesses d'art de la France were received. Some fifteen years later, after our Library had received more than fifty volumes of Catalog, the Librarian of Columbia University wrote to me asking how I got on the mailing list as there were only two or three libraries in the United States which were receiving the Catalog. The result was that about thirty libraries pooled their subscriptions and made possible the continuation of the Catalog at \$10.00 a volume.

The prestige of the University of Missouri Library has continued to grow at home and abroad as indicated by the receipt of gifts. Louis C. Tiffany, the artist of the Tiffany Studios, presented our Library with a copy of his beautiful book, The Art Work of Louis C. Tiffany, Copy No. 207, The Società Dantesca Italiana produced a facsimile of the manuscript of Dante's Divina Commedia to commemorate the 600th anniversary of the death of Dante, and the Italians of the U. S. A. on the initiative of Luigi Carnovale of Chicago, presented to the Library Copy No. 49. The most important private library ever given to the University of Missouri was that of the late Dr. William Benjamin Smith, containing 2,000 volumes, presented unconditionally. The King of Siam sent our Library seventy-eight volumes of the Pali Texts, translated into Siamese. The King, himself, translated the Merchant of Venice into Siamese and remembered our Library with a presentation copy. The City of Genoa, Italy, the home of Columbus, a

few years ago published an illustrated book Christopher Columbus, Documents and Proofs of His Genoese Origin, with many facsimiles of letters, documents, title pages of books and the like, soon our Library received a copy with the compliments of the City of Genoa.

In the 1936 list of the Friends of the University of Missouri Library were the names of donors from Madrid and Santander, Spain; London; Hamburg, Germany; Paris; Vienna; Nanking, Anking, and Peiping, China; Mexico City, Toronto, and Vancouver. A letter, three weeks ago, from the American University Union in Paris informed me that Monsieur Chéradame desired to present our Library with three books of which he is the author.

The fact is, the sources of materials tapped by the University of Missouri Library are numbered by the thousands. Much of the material is received in exchange for the University of Missouri Studies and Bulletins. Watch the contents of the mail bags for a month. Here comes a bulletin from the Akademia Nauk, Russia; from the Academy in Cordova, Spain; Accademie dei Lincei, Rome; academies in Berlin, Vienna, and Munich. Here are pieces from Buenos Aires, Chile, New Zealand, Japan, and from hundreds of other centers of learning and from all the important universities of the world including the new university in Jerusalem. Using the actual count of the incoming second class mail received during September 1935 as a basis, it is estimated that 24,000 pieces of second class mail are received annually and 32,000 continuations. In all about 56,000 pieces are received annually by our Library.

It is not generally known that the University of Missouri Library began extension work in 1913, by the circulation of books to the residents in the state. In 1924, this service reached 437 towns and the books went into 114 counties, every county in Missouri. This service was practi-

cally discontinued when the Department of Public Information was established. However, the extension work now is handled by the Extension Division. Our Library sends out a few books. For several years, special collections of books for farmers were made up, boxed, and deposited in the offices of the county agricultural agents and by them loaned to residents of their respective counties. It was the period in which we were advertising books for farmers and farmers' wives, on the raising of domestic animals, poultry, dairy cattle and the like. One day I received a letter from a farmer who asked for some material in this manner: "You have books on raising hogs, have you any on raising boys?"

The quality of service and the prestige of the Library has depended so much on the personnel of the Library Staff. About twenty years since, a university woman came into my office on behalf of a friend of hers in St. Louis, a young woman doing office work. She made her plea: "This young woman does not have good eyes. I am afraid that if she continues in her present position she will lose her sight so I thought that if she could get a position in the library it would be fine". Another woman in applying for a position for her friend, said "She hasn't been very well. The work she has is too hard for her so I thought if she could get a job in the library". Another person said regarding an applicant, "She has been a good teacher for years but now she is so nervous and unstrung she can't continue. I think the library would be a fine place for her. It is so nice and quiet here". And another: "I would like so much to get a position in the library. I just love to read".

The principle that only those in good health and with library training need apply is an indication of the quality of our Library personnel now and in the past. I need to mention only a few former members of my staff: Grace D. Phillips, a

member of my first staff, who is present tonight, has been Librarian of the Divinity School in the University of Chicago. She has recently returned from Wuchang, China, where she lectured on library science in that University; Clarence W. Sumner, a former member of my staff, is librarian of the Public Library of Youngstown, Ohio; Will H. Collins is Librarian of the Public Library, Akron, Ohio; Grace Barnes, Librarian of the University of Maryland; Mary E. Baker, Librarian of the University of Tennessee; and there are many other outstanding librarians now holding important positions who were formerly on my staff

The student staff personnel during the years deserves high praise. Some of the best students in the University have served at our loan desks. Later, they have become distinguished in their professions, such as James A. McMillen, Librarian of the Louisiana State University; Claude Cross, Attorney-at-Law in New York City; Guy V. Head, formerly our Professor of Law and now the General Counsel for the Farm Credit Administration of this area which includes Missouri, Illinois, and Arkansas; George Ewing, our instructor in mathematics, and a host of other outstanding men and women were at one time on our Library student staff.

Let us contemplate for a minute that beautiful Library building, two-thirds completed. The architecture belongs to the English renaissance period, the outer wall is of cut stone; the second floor front has its Ionic colonade, the reading room extends the width of the building with those high north windows, no direct sunlight in the room, then the new wing with its adequate reading rooms and the combined stack space with a capacity of 450,000 volumes. Consider, also, the site of the building--a whole block between the new and the old campuses. It is most centrally and conveniently located for the whole campus. When I think of the wisdom of the choice of the

site, the magnificent building, and when I think of the biology, physics and agricultural chemistry buildings and that they owe their existence largely to Dr. A. Ross Hill, I wonder whether we fully appreciate the great service which he has rendered the University of Missouri. The Library building houses about 400,000 books including the library of the State Historical Society of Missouri. These collections contain the records of the deeds and thoughts of the men and women of all time, the wisdom of the ancients and of the moderns. In this Library, you may still associate with Emerson, Longfellow, Lowell, Whittier, Thoreau, Tennyson, Browning, Shakespeare, Steinmetz, Drawin, Newton, Bacon, and the remainder of the host of the masters of those who know. Here the reader may walk with Dante in the circuitous paths of Inferno, rejoice with Milton in Paradise Regained and watch with Homer the operations of the giants in the Trojan War on the windy plains of Troy.

With this great plant in the physical center of the University, housing with its branches one-half million volumes, the constant aim has been to render an ever increasing efficiency in service to the University of Missouri and its community.

Dr. Johnson: (an excerpt)

I, for one, am glad that Dr. Severance did not give his second talk before his critics as he seems to think that he might have had to write a third one. I am sure that all of us feel that he could not have given a better address. I think we all noticed that he, with characteristic modesty, implied that the growth and development of the Library which he has traced for us just happened or happened as the result of the work of his colleagues and of his staff. I think that the title of his address might well have been "Thirty Years A-growing and He did it". It was not my pleasure.

to know Dr. Severance during his early years here, however, I had known of his leadership in the development of the Junior College Movement in this country. Fifteen years ago when this movement was underway he lent the prestige of his position, his experience, and his valuable counsel. Throughout the nation Dr. Severance is recognized as one of pioneer leaders in the development of the Junior College Movement.

Dr. A. Ross Hill: (an excerpt of the toast)

It is my intention to stress some of the things referred to by Mr. Severance. I recall when I came here thirty-four years ago, the Library was in one wing of Jesse Hall. At the time of the fire which destroyed the Mechanic Arts building which housed the Library, our one big thought was that we would lose the Library. We, also, thought that some of the professors might carry it away in collections. We finally succeeded in getting the fire hose and soon the whole student body was on the campus. Through all our efforts the Library was saved and about the time the fire was out the Fire Department of Columbia drove in. ...

Dr. Laws at one time arranged for the buying of a plot of land east of the old campus and north of the men's gymnasium for \$100,000. He tried to get the University to take it off his hands. It did not do so. When the agitation for a library building was made in 1906, the promoters proposed to erect it out on the farm. When the question of a library building arose in my administration, I proposed the present site. Governor Hadley approved the site. I told Governor Hadley that we were going to ask for the building and the block between Lowry and Conley Streets. I assured him that if we could not get both that we wanted the block. It is a great pleasure now to see the development going on there. The one practical thing

which Mr. Severance did was to suggest that we secure an appropriation for the central part first and secure the appropriations for the wings later. We went to the next Legislature with the complete building on paper and asked for one-third of the building. If we had asked for all of it we would have failed to have secured any part of it. ...

Mr. Severance had a big task to keep departmental libraries from springing up all over the campus. ...

Mr. Severance is a practical man, a witty man, a practical idealist, and he is credited with the development of our Library. We have through him developed a Library which rates with the best of university libraries. I credit it to Mr. Severance. Dr. Jesse was kind enough to credit it to Providence. ...

I am glad to be here tonight as one of the friends of Mr. Severance and I am glad to know that we have every reason to expect that he will remain in Columbia and cheer us by his genial personality and living. With best wishes, Mr. Severance, for the years which are to follow.

Dr. Stratton D. Brooks:

One of the greatest pleasures of coming to the University of Missouri fourteen years ago was that it brought me again into association with Dr. H. O. Severance. It is probable that I have known both Mr. and Mrs. Severance longer than any of the men and women assembled here to do him honor. It was three and one-half times fourteen years ago when we, together with Mrs. Brooks, were students in the same college. Others here have known him for the thirty years of his fine service to the University and to the State. They have appreciated his genial efficiency, his likable

personality, his sympathetic spirit, his equitable temperament and his unfailing helpfulness. They have known him as a friend and neighbor, and as an outstanding citizen of Columbia.

It seems that the best thing that I can say is that he differs only in the depth and breadth of his information, the increase in his wisdom and administrative ability from the college student whom I knew nearly half a century ago. All those personal qualities which have endeared him to his associates in the Library and to the other members of the University faculty were as marked then as they are now. His position as Librarian has put him in direct contact with the progress and growth of every department in this institution, and while others may have appeared more often in print, I am certain that no member has ever contributed more to the welfare of the University than Dr. Henry O. Severance.

I received, just this morning, letters from four others who were fellow students with us in that time of long ago, and I am certain that each of them would be pleased to authorize me to vouch for his complete agreement with all the statements that I have made.

Mr. Charles H. Compton:

I am pleased to have a part on today's program. On this notable occasion we are honoring Dr. Severance for his thirty years' services to the University of Missouri and for his services to the State of Missouri.

The results of his services to the University are tangible. They stand before our eyes - an adequate library building - an outstanding collection of books - an efficient and loyal staff. His services to the State of Missouri are less

tangible, but no less real and certainly no less important. Dr. Severance has not been a librarian to bury himself in his institution and to forget the library world outside. To him in Missouri we have looked for leadership.

I shall mention three things toward which Dr. Severance has pointed the way - all three are in their infancy, but they promise much for the future:

The first is the certification of librarians. One of my most pleasant memories is that of the meeting of the Missouri Library Association at Ha Ha Tonka in 1921 - my first year in Missouri. In this most beautiful place - with our meetings held outdoors and at night around a campfire - Dr. Severance, as president, put on a program awakening us to Missouri's library needs. He in particular recommended the certification of librarians. Today, largely through Dr. Severance's initiative, we have a successful plan of voluntary certification and we are working toward legal certification of librarians.

The second thing to Dr. Severance's credit is the State Library Plan for Missouri. Dr. Severance drew up this plan. It was approved by the State Planning Committee of the Missouri Library Association and by the Association. This plan indicates the way toward a complete coverage of the State of Missouri with library service. Today 50% of the people of Missouri are without libraries.

The third thing which we owe to Dr. Severance is the institution of a plan, through a committee of the Missouri Library Association, for a union catalog of the rare and expensive books in Missouri libraries. No little progress toward this goal has already been made.

I give these as specific examples which I

could extend many times of services that Dr. Severance has rendered toward library progress in Missouri.

I know that Dr. Severance will agree with me that there is still much to be done for libraries and librarians in Missouri.

I am sure all the librarians in Missouri join with me in hoping that Dr. Severance will remain in our midst and that we shall continue to have his advice and help for many, many years.

In concluding with a more personal note, I trust that Dr. Severance realizes with what full measure he possesses the admiration and affection of the librarians of Missouri for those rare qualities - calmness, sincerity, consideration of others, and tolerance.

Dr. Frederick A. Middlebush: (an excerpt)

You have noted from Mr. Severance's remarks that he has been interested in the material development of the Library as the center of the University of Missouri. I feel that in complement to his remarks that I should tell him just a little history of the new wing to the Library. I was very much interested in his remarks regarding the struggle in getting the central section of the building. When we started out two years ago for our request for buildings, the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee of the House made this statement: "I am going to see to it that we put the appropriation for the Library first". And it was kept first. I think I should tell Mr. Severance that there is in the appropriation bill which was just passed by the House, a special appropriation of \$50,000 for library books. I suspect that this is probably the best thing that we could say here tonight to Mr. Severance. ...

From my point of view I think there are two great satisfactions of life as one nears the point which Mr. and Mrs. Severance have reached. One is that they both have served and will continue to serve a very full and useful life as citizens in the community, a job well done and still going on; the other is a large circle of friends. This is what we all prize mostly. Your friends, Mr. Severance, and I wish to include Mrs. Severance as many of your friends have included her, in this volume, have asked me to present to you this volume containing letters of appreciation. I think we can best make this presentation by my reading this poem "A Cheerio" from this book:

Life gives its bounty to the one
Whose days and years are nobly done,
'Tis not a favor she bestows,
But just a debt she frankly owes.

Yet, as you know, not every debt
Is paid without some fume and fret,
And sometimes, too, beyond recall,
Some debts are never paid at all.

Your debt, now almost over-due,
The Bank of Life pays out to you
And adds a bonus, too, I say,
On this your proud Commencement Day.

For what can cast a lovelier spell
Than circled friends who wish you well,
(Especially those whose grace and charm
Make every masculine heart grown warm.)

A heart that's young as yours can say
In Robert Browning's forceful way:
"My friends, come on, grow old with me,
The best of life is yet to be!"

Hermann Almstedt

On behalf of the entire staff of the University of Missouri, Mr. and Mrs. Severance, I present to you this volume of letters and wish you both the full measure of a happy, happy life.

Dr. Severance:

Thank you, President Middlebush. I do not have words to express my sincere appreciation.

With the deepest appreciation I remember President Jesse and others of the Library Committee - C. A. Ellwood, W. G. Manly, and O. M. Stewart, because they gave me the greatest opportunity of my life and that was to be the Librarian of the University of Missouri. I, also, deeply appreciate the cooperation and sympathy of my colleagues in the University who have helped to make my dream come true, and for helping me to reach some of the objectives which I had had in mind for many years.

I wish to express my thanks to the Library Club and to its committee that made the preparations for the banquet tonight.

Sometimes tonight I have had to ask **myself** "Am I the one you are talking about?" I could hardly realize that it was all for me but I am glad that it is true. I thank all of you from the depth of my heart.

Dr. Johnson:

And thus we bring to a close the dinner which we have eaten with our friend, Dr. Severance, who has spent thirty years of building at the University of Missouri.

LIFE SKETCH — A Tribute

The chief thing in a college or university, big or small, is a central library with adequate facilities and resources. —Henry O. Severance.

His dream has come true, many of the objectives which he had in mind for years have been achieved so this builder and leader, Dr. Henry Ormal Severance, retires from the Librarianship of the University of Missouri on September the first, 1937, after thirty years of service, on the Carnegie Foundation Fund having reached the age limit.

In order to understand his achievements, it is necessary to inquire into his early life. He was endowed with a good physique and a good mind. He came from New England ancestry, both of his grandfathers were pioneers from New York to the territory of Michigan. He was born on a farm near St. Johns, Michigan, on February 19, 1867. When he was about two years old his family moved to Andalusia, Illinois from where after an unsuccessful farming career of six years his father, Charles Severance, returned to Michigan and settled in the little village of Walled Lake, near his grandfather's farm.

He was reared in a Christian home. His mother, Louisa Forbush Severance, seldom failed to read the Bible daily and while the children, Arthur, Eugene, Palmer, Henry, Clara, and Charles, were growing to maturity they had the morning lessons from the Bible and prayers by every member of the family who pushing their chairs back from the breakfast table knelt on the floor beside them. His father was a practical man in some ways but in other ways an idealist. He believed thoroughly in education and kept his children in the district school. He enjoyed reading, but the family pos-

essed few books. The books in the home were the Bible, a book of fairy tales, Macaulay's History of England which he had secured with his subscription to the Detroit Free Press, and the few textbooks used in the district school.

Mr. Severance's father opened a meat market in Walled Lake and peddled meat throughout the countryside. Later he and his eldest son engaged in the masonry trade, laying stone walls for cellars and plastering houses. As soon as the other boys became old enough to work he moved to a nearby farm. He taught his sons the various farm operations. He placed responsibility upon his children. He would send his son Henry to the mill with a wagon of grain and would intrust him with the money to pay for the grinding. He allowed this son to get in readiness and to cultivate fields of grain. The boys worked and put their earnings into the family budget until they were twenty-one years of age.

When Mr. Severance was about nineteen he entered the Michigan Normal School in November 1885, for the first time. He was a black-haired boy, medium height, hazel eyes, and mind alert although at times inclined to be dreamy. His older brother, Eugene, had a great influence on his early life and would often encourage him in his work and his school. This brother advised the Ancient Classical course, language and literature of the Romans and Greeks of bygone days. The younger brother ran these words over in his mind and said them aloud, "Ancient Classical course". He was delighted with the expression as it was dignified and wonderful. The winter soon passed and April found him back on the farm hustling with the plowing, entering the fields as early as six o'clock in the mornings, and planning how and when he could return to the Normal. He taught in the next two winters. The first year his earnings went toward the home expenses as his parents were ill of health, but the second year he saved for

his school work. While a teacher he was active in church work and was a leader in the community affairs. He enjoyed his teaching experience and "boarding around" as he has always loved children.

In September 1888, he again entered the Normal School. Credits of "E" for the past year's work in Greek and in Latin were awaiting him. He was an active member of the students' Christian Association, took part in student activities, and the activities of his class. He was President of the Crescent Literary Society and was often on the programs. He was one of the leaders in his class of 1891, consisting of 117 members. He helped to arrange the program for Class Day, was selected as class historian and gave the history of the class. He graduated from the Normal in 1891.

In 1891-1893, he was Superintendent of Schools of Lakeview, Michigan. This was a school which had eleven grades but had never graduated any students. He revised the course of study, provided a kindergarten department and graduation for the students who finished the twelve grades. He formed a literary society for the high school students and placed on the walls of the high school assembly the portraits of great literary men to help create ideals and to stimulate students to strive for individual accomplishments.

At the close of the second year he resigned in order to return to the Normal School, which conferred upon him the B.Pd. degree in 1894. In later years, 1911, the Normal School conferred upon him the honorary degree of Master of Pedagogy in recognition of his accomplishments in the teaching and library professions. In the summers of 1892 and 1893 he had attended the Michigan Agricultural College and studied courses in botany, chemistry, and economics. These courses had not been included in the Classical course. His ideal was to secure a university education, but he was unable to enter in the fall of 1894 because of the

bank failure, and because his earnings from the masonry trade during the past summer were insufficient to carry him through the year. He, therefore, engaged with the Dod Mead & Co. and sold the New International Encyclopedia in northern Indiana for six months.

In February 1895, he entered the University of Michigan. He earned his board and room by looking after an elderly woman, Mrs. Maria Gilbert, keeping the fires, caring for the lawn, running errands, and the like as a boy would do for his mother. He received his A.B. degree in 1897.

In his senior year he was employed as a student assistant in the University of Michigan Library and was in charge of the Classical Seminary in as much as he had majored in the Classics. Mr. Raymond C. Davis, Librarian, was so well pleased with Mr. Severance's personality, and his ability in supervising the graduate reading room that he offered him a position on his staff as an assistant in charge of the accessions at a salary of \$700 a year. He accepted the position and thus began his long career of forty-three years as librarian. This decision changed a well equipped teacher to a neophyte in the library profession. This first library position changed the whole career of him who had studied so many years in preparation for the teaching profession, but later he said that this training for teaching was a valuable asset to his work as librarian, and for his teaching of library science. While holding this position, he took some courses in the University, and by studying at nights and at odd times, he passed all requirements and received his A.M. degree in 1899.

One of the duties of his library position was to subscribe for and record the periodicals. He discovered that there was no list of periodicals published giving the titles, frequency and place of publications, and subscription prices. He

learned that librarians in other institutions felt the need of a "tool" of this kind. The result was his first book - A Guide to the Periodicals and Serials in the United States and Canada - which appeared in 1907 and has run through five editions.

In Mr. Severance's Class of 1891 in the Michigan Normal School was Miss Anna Lane of Hudson, Michigan, daughter of Nathaniel and Martha Lane. She was a leader among the students in religious, social, and literary work. She won a gold medal in an oratory contest. In the absence of Daniel Putnam, for several weeks, she taught his class in Educational Psychology. She had had some teaching experience in the district school. After graduation from the Normal she taught Latin in the Decator and Portland, Michigan, High Schools until 1897.

Anna Lane and Henry Ormal Severance were married January 18, 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Severance have always been leaders in church work. Mrs. Severance in her work has put emphasis upon Missions and Mr. Severance has emphasized Sunday School work. Mrs. Severance was a member for five years of the Board of the Baptist General Association of Missouri, and a member for ten years of the Board for the Home of Aged Baptists. They have always been leaders in community affairs and have given much time and effort to public welfare work. They believe thoroughly "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, you have done it unto me". Mrs. Severance has served for about fifteen years on the Board of the Public Welfare Society of Columbia, and she did friendly visiting for the Board for several years. She was President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of the Columbia Branch for five years. She has been an active member of the League of Women Voters and was President for four years when it was in its infancy, the Fortnightly Club and was President one year, Book Review Club, the Readers, a member

of the Columbia Library Club for thirty years, and she is a member of various other organizations. Mr. Severance has always been interested in her work and has aided her in every possible way. She is a home lover and her charming and graceful manner delights the many friends who have visited and have been entertained in the Severance home. She has always been interested in Mr. Severance's work and has helped him to realize his ideals without interfering with his administrative problems.

They have enjoyed their home life with their two children, Esther Grace (Mrs. R.E. Naylor) a graduate of the University of Missouri, and of the Presbyterian Hospital School for Nurses in Chicago with an R.N. degree; and Philip Lane a graduate of the University of Michigan, and of the George Washington University with an M.A. degree; both have families of their own. The grandchildren are: Jane Esther and Robert F. Naylor, and Henry G. Severance.

Mr. Severance had accepted the position on the University of Michigan Library Staff without previous technical training but in addition to the duties of his department he also worked in the various other departments of the Library so that he became familiar with all the library processes. In 1905 Theodore W. Koch became Librarian of the University of Michigan succeeding R. C. Davis, retired. The organization of the Library was such that there was no probability of the promotion of Mr. Severance in the near future. Mr. Koch recognized his ability and experience, and suggested that he make application for the Librarianship of the University of Missouri which was then vacant. As a result Mr. Severance was invited to the University of Missouri for a personal interview and he was elected by the Board of Curators, and became Librarian on January 1, 1907, at a salary of \$1800 a year, with a staff of four members. The Library consisted of one large room and two small

rooms in the west end of Jesse Hall. There were 80,000 books in the collection.

Mr. Severance was Librarian of the University of Missouri from January 1, 1907 to September 1, 1937. His salary increased nearly triple the amount received at first. The number of books increased from 80,000 to 365,000, not including many thousand unbound periodicals and bulletins. From the cramped quarters of the three rooms in Jesse Hall the Library has expanded into a magnificent building which has been two-thirds completed. It has reading room capacity for 535 undergraduate students and 300 graduate students. There are cubicles in the stacks to accomodate 148 professors and graduate students. The stack capacity is 450,000 volumes. The building and the books make the Library a million dollar institution, which stands as a monument to him who supervised the University of Missouri Library from 1907 to 1937.

The Library Staff has increased in number from four to twenty-three, with most of the members technically trained. Mr. Severance was loyal to and considerate of his coworkers at all times, and took a personal interest in every staff member and student staff member. He encouraged them to become more efficient in their work even to the extent of the loss of valuable members to higher positions in other libraries. He needs only to visit some of the important libraries and he is cordially greeted by one of his former staff members.

In the brief space of this booklet we can only summarize some of Mr. Severance's outstanding achievements. He has during all his professional life been able to devote much time and energy to religious, social, and civic activities.

The Sunday School work has been his specialty in church work, and it has been his avocation.

He became Superintendent of the First Baptist Church School of Columbia in 1921, when the classes were meeting in various rooms and corridors of Stephens College, in the old parsonage, and in the church building. When he resigned in 1928, the new education building had been erected which housed all the classes except the Burrall and Stephens Classes. In 1921 there was a small group of teachers unorganized, but in 1928 there was a Sunday School Cabinet composed of officers and heads of departments and a Workers Conference consisting of the Cabinet and all of the other teachers. Each met monthly. The Workers Conference after its monthly luncheon met for an hour to discuss Sunday School problems, and frequently to listen to addresses by prominent educators. The standard of the organization was such that students and others applied for teaching positions in the Sunday School. Students enrolled in the Bible College received credit for work done in the Sunday School.

Largely through the influence of Mr. Severance an inter-denominational Sunday School teachers course was established in the Bible College. He was a strong advocate of Week-Day Religious Education in the public schools. The only way to provide for such was the organization of all the churches into a federation. This was accomplished through the efforts of ministers and laymen representing the churches. One of the projects of this Federation was the Week-Day Religious Education in the Jefferson Junior High School. Mr. Severance was Chairman of the committee to elect the teacher. The first Inter-Church Daily Vacation Bible School was fostered by him in 1923. This was held in the First Baptist Church for several summers. He has been instrumental in interesting and providing means for young people in the Sunday School to attend training camps for leadership. He is a member of the Board of Deacons and has been for many years. He was Chairman of the committee to secure a new

pastor for the Church at two different times, and he was Chairman of the committee to make a survey of the finances of the Church in 1937. He was the teacher of the student men's class for about five years.

In addition to his official duties, he has been very active in promoting professional interests. He served on a committee to devise a classification of books for the Library of the State Historical Society of Missouri. He made a survey of the high schools of the state on the basis of which he compiled a bulletin on The Standard Library Organization for High Schools. This was followed by The Library Primer for High Schools of the state which appeared in three editions. He is author of a number of books and many magazine articles, and is a member of the Committee on the University of Missouri Studies. He organized the Ann Arbor, Michigan Library Club in 1903 and was its first president; the Columbia Library Club in 1907, and the Book Review in 1931, and has served as president of each. He is a member of the Missouri Library Association and served as president in 1909, and again in 1921. He has attended every conference except one. In 1921 he assisted the Association in securing the enactment of a County Library Law. In the same year he advocated the need of a law for the certification of librarians. As a result there is a Board on the Voluntary Certification of Librarians. He was Chairman for several years of the Committee on Co-operative Acquisition of Rare and Expensive Books, and compiled The Union List of Serials in the Libraries of Missouri in 1935. The committee is now compiling a union list of the rare books in the state. He was Chairman of the State Library Planning Board and was originator and author of the State Library Plan for Missouri which was approved by the Missouri Library Association in 1935. He was the library adviser to Melvin Sneed who made the state library survey in 1935.

He is a member of the Bibliographical Society of America and has been for many years, and was secretary from 1916 to 1919.

He is a leader in the American Library Association and has served on the Council and on many committees. He was Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, Committee on Committees, the Periodical Section, the Agricultural Library Section, and was Chairman of the Religious Books Section. He was a regular attendant at the annual and mid-winter conferences, defraying his own expenses except six years when the University paid his travelling expenses to the annual conferences. In July 1925, Mr. Severance conducted a party of seventy-five librarians from the various states to the American Library Association conference held in Seattle, Washington. He was so thoughtful of each person in the party, and saw that each received all the accommodations and had an enjoyable trip that the party gave him a vote of thanks, and a twenty-dollar gold piece with which he was to purchase a set of books.

One of his greatest contributions to the library profession was his library war service which was under the direction of the American Library Association. He was Manager of Camp Libraries in the United States, headquarters in the Library of Congress, visiting camp libraries in the middle west and the south in order to stimulate the circulation of vocational books. Later he was European Representative of the American Library Association in Paris. He visited the national libraries in Belgium, England, France, and Italy. He was also Librarian of the American Library in Paris and Director of Library Service to the Army of Occupation in Coblenz.

Mr. Severance has been an American Library Institute Fellow from 1918 to date. He was author of the resolution creating a Committee on Research to report annually. For ten years he gave the re-

port including a list of the contributions of the Fellows. This emphasis placed on research and literary contributions stimulated many members of the profession to make investigations and to write the results. The output in 1936 was at least 75% greater than it was in 1927. He has been a member of the Research Board of the Institute from its organization to date. This Board was organized for the purpose of deciding upon library projects to be recommended to the research foundations for financing.

He was Director of the Summer Library School which held sessions in alternate years from 1912 to 1921, as a division of the University Summer School. From 1910 to 1917, a library course offering two hours credit in the School of Education was given, from 1915 to 1932, a course in Library Methods for Teachers and a course in Reference Books for Journalists were given. The courses except Library Methods for Teachers were given without extra compensation. Some members of the Library Staff assisted.

His efforts to encourage research in the University of Missouri have been recognized by the deans, professors, and graduate students. In evidence of this note the accommodations in the Library - cubicles, graduate reading rooms, system of inter-library loan - and the following publications: Check-list of University Serial Publications, Union List of Serials in the United States and Canada, Union List of Serials in the Libraries of Missouri, Bulletin on Facilities and Resources of the University of Missouri Library, and the Survey of the Resources of the University of Missouri Library for Graduate Work.

At the invitation of the Committee on Accrediting of Junior Colleges he visited the Junior Colleges in Missouri with the Committee and made a report on the Junior College Libraries.

He has been often consulted on library problems and library building problems not only by institutions in the United States but in foreign countries. He also has been called upon to give addresses before college and library organizations. From 1933 to date, he has been a member of the Advisory Council of Yenching University, Peiping, China. He is a member of the Library Association of the United Kingdom. He was one of the Curators of Stephens College from 1911 to 1919. He is also a member of the Commission to select books for the Walter Williams Library (a library to be kept in the home of the President of the University of Missouri), a member of the Michigan Authors' Association, Michigan Historical Society, State Historical Society of Missouri, and the University of Missouri Faculty Men's Club. He is an honorary member of the Eugene Field Society, the Kiwanis Club of Columbia, Missouri, and Honorary President of the Columbia Library Club.

Mr. Severance, the classical student, the boy who was inclined to be a dreamer, is living a happy life with people and with books. Many of his dreams have come true for he has given other people a chance, has encouraged and taught many who were less fortunate than he and in many cases has made it possible for others to continue their education and to advance in their positions, and above all he has followed and is following and helping others to follow the moral teachings of Christ.

Deeply regretting that our connection has been severed we shall always gratefully remember our association with Mr. Severance and his efficient leadership, and we hope always to be held in pleasant remembrance and high esteem by him as he goes forth into new adventures, new joys, and new experiences. The pathway of life is going to be much more interesting and pleasant for each of us because of his influence.

Frances McKee Hanna

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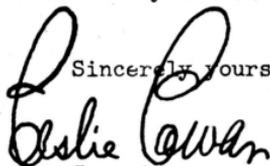
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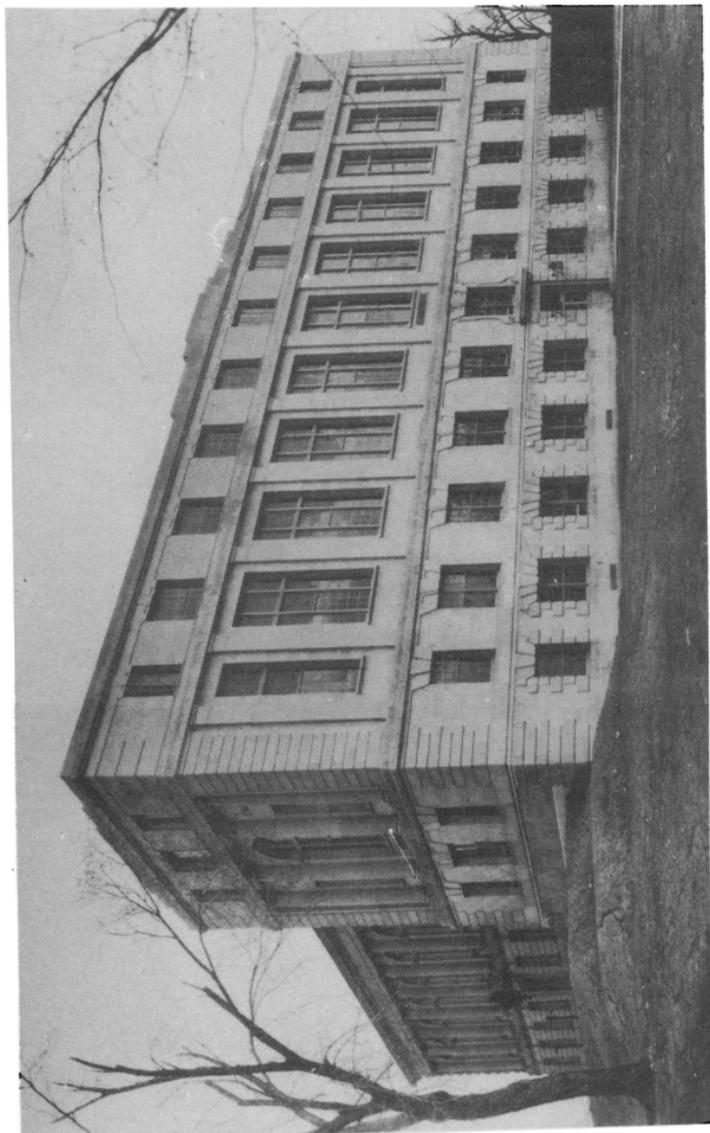
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At the meeting of the Curators on June 8th an order was made retiring you from service beginning September 1, 1937. The Board is both pleased and unhappy to enter this order. The Board is pleased to enter the order because in doing so it realizes that you will be released from the arduous duties of your office and will now have the opportunity to look forward to many years of enjoyment. The members of the Board congratulate you upon this opportunity and extend to you their cordial good wishes.

The Board regrets to issue the retirement order because it terminates your official University service. The Board and the members thereof appreciate the useful and loyal service you have rendered the University through the years. They realize that it will be difficult to replace your effective leadership in the conduct of the library affairs.

It has been a source of pleasure and gratification to the members of the Board that the Library in your hands has been wisely and safely managed.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

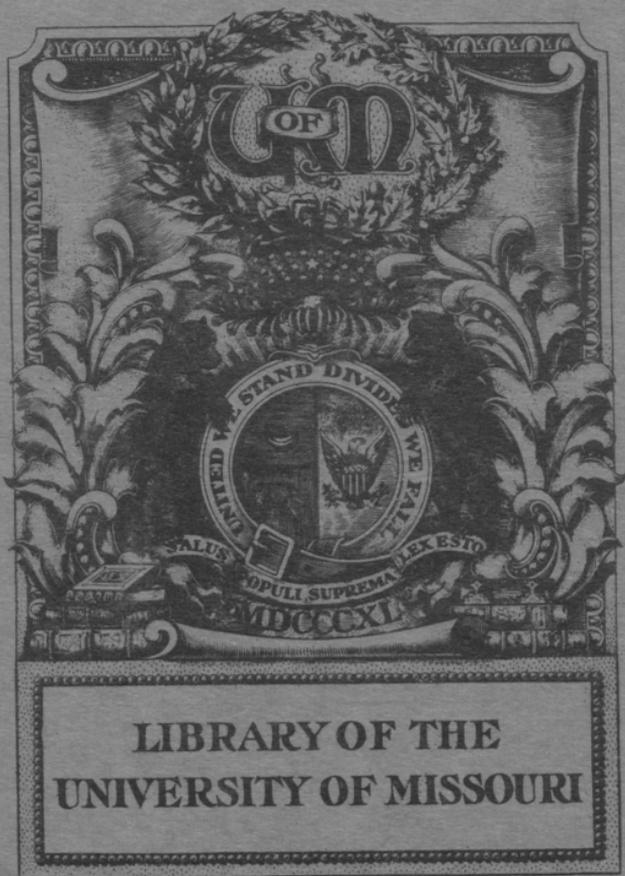


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