

ANNUAL REPORT OF ALTAMONT LIBRARY FOR '58

The Altamont Free Library has completed its 43rd year of service to Altamont and the surrounding community. The library has been available to all who enjoy books, whether for relaxation or reference.

This report covers the activities for the year 1958. During this period the trustees held two meetings. The trustees are Luther C. Warner, Verner Sharp, Mrs. Luther Secor, Mrs. Ellsworth Chesebro, Mrs. Joseph Graham, Mrs. D. Wright Westfall and Mrs. Edward Heins. Officers are: President, Luther C. Warner; vice president, Mrs. Secor; secretary, Mrs. Heins; treasurer, Mrs. Westfall.

There are two library committees: Book, Mrs. Chesebro, Mrs. Mary Weaver, Mrs. Alfonso Bivona Jr., Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Lawrence Warner, Miss Ethel Crookes, Mrs. Luther Warner, Mrs. Heins, and Miss Marion Vanderpoel. Administration and finance: Mr. Warner, Mrs. Secor, Mrs. Chesebro, Mr. Sharp and Mrs. Westfall.

The trustees are elected by the association at the annual meeting held in January of each year. They are elected for a term of three years or to fill a vacancy. The terms of Mrs. Westfall and Mr. Sharp expire in January 1959. The terms of Mrs. Secor, Mr. Warner and Mrs. Heins expire in 1960. The terms of Mrs. Chesebro and Mrs. Graham expire in 1961.

During the year 1958 the library was open 104 days. The total circulation for the year was 4786. The adult fiction was 2126; adult non-fiction, 549; juvenile fiction, 1663; juvenile non-fiction, 172. Magazine circulation was 276. The greatest number of books taken out was on Aug. 4, when 87 were withdrawn. The average circulation per library day was 46. The borrower's list records 525 names. The number of volumes added during the year was 138 by purchase, increasing the total number of books to 5152.

The library association has 291 contributors, of whom 220 are members, having given one dollar or more toward library support.

The trustees of Altamont Free Library acknowledge with appreciation the cooperation of the village board as expressed through the appropriation annually made. Grateful appreciation is also extended to the librarian, Mrs. Mary Weaver, for her service in carrying on the library program; to the solicitors for a successful annual canvass for funds; to all whose interest and efforts have furthered the progress of the library's program in the community.

The financial report shows receipts of \$1,129.09 and disbursements of \$1,076.13.

Mrs. Edward Heins, Sec'y
Mrs. D. Wright Westfall, Treas.
Mrs. Mary Weaver, Librarian