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WHAT THE LIBRARY SHOULD BE LIKE

John Cotton Dana of Newark Tells of "a Certain Library" and Gives Some Details of Its Workings.

John Cotton Dana, librarian of the public library at Newark, N. J., read a paper freely advertised us. Our little school room libraries-twenty to forty books in before the joint session of the Nebraska Library association and the Nebraska Feda case, lent for a term of a year, selected eration of Women's Clubs at Fremont, by the teacher and changed at her reusing the title, "A Certain Library." While quest-were taken with pleasure and interest, and three times as many as we Mr. Dana's paper gave a particular description of the Newark library, his adhad fabout ninety) would have been gladly dress made such an impression that it has taken could we have purchased them. "I wish only to show that if a library deemed good to give it to the people in full. His consent to its publication was building can be a center for teachers' ofganizations and for all the work which only recently obtained. Mr. Dana said:

"I do not claim originality for the things | tends to make their labor more effective, I am to tell you about. I do not select their tasks easier, their interests broader. and their lives happier, the library itself Newark because it is the best library. But I know it best. And it inustrates by the is greatly advantaged, does better work, things it is doing, and the things it hopes does more work, and does it more easily. "Two-We should aid in such work as to do, and the things it would like to try, the field of work which lies before every school room decoration. library in the country. "Newark is interested, as are

"Newark has a population of about 209,cities, in making its school rooms more 600. It is seven miles from New York. It beautiful and more attractive. In furnishmanufacturing suburb of that city. Ing our library rooms we have had this fact But it is more. It has an identity, a civic in mind. We framed some of the German consciousness, of its own. Founded by lithographs from Teubner, some of the Connecticut Yankees in 1666, further estab- French lithographs by Riviere, some of lished by the Dutch, it held to conservative the historical series of Langi and some of ways for nearly two centuries. Germans his geographical series; showed the Seebrought to it a touch of their liberalism man black and white prints; gave an ex-after their revolution in '45. As the in- hibition of fine carbon photographs, and of technology as every great manufacturdustrial development of the last thirty next month we are to have a display of years came on men found Newark had all the different kinds of pictures suitable cheap sites, good land and water trans- for this purpose that we can discover, portation, moderate taxation and a fair framed, catalogued, described and priced. municipal administration, and they came This is not done at random. All decoraand built factories and made things. They tion of school rooms should be under the are still making things of every kind. To direction of a committee, of which the supervisor of drawings in the schools should the factories came many workers from forbe the head. And we put forward nothing eign countries.

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nuseum of science.

tions when needed.

Fine Arts Commission.

"We have tried to do this. Our direc-

"Newark outgrew its own conception of itself. It felt, to the older folks, like the quiet, conservative residence village it once was. It was, in fact, a great city. Hardly more than a dozen years ago it woke to a realization of this. It equipped itself with a superior water supply. It was foremost in acquiring great tracts of land for a system of parks for the county. It built an adequate high school. It established a free public library.

Soon the library needed a building, and the building came. It cost, with the land, products shall have that final touch, born \$425,000. It is large enough for twenty-five years to come, without considering coonomy of space. It is light in every corner. It is simple and dignified in its exterior. Within it is impressive, and gives the taxpayer that pride of possession which perhaps every public building should pro-The presence of this fair and worthy structure on their main street has helped the people to wish for others like it, and a court house and a city hall appropriate to a great municipality are now under way.

Content with the Building.

"I have said our building is targe enough and well lighted. Perhaps that is sufficient praise. Of few library buildings can these things be said. It is also conventently arranged. The floor plans tell you of this. Notice the rooms not at present needed by the library proper, on all four floors. They are important in my story.

"I feel free to praise this building highly, as I had nothing to do with the planning. theory or precedent, but on a careful

USES OF A PUBLIC LIBRARY of their own equipment. They call on us such an attraction. To the same room feel that we are working with them. We first exhibition ever held of their drawings get from this arrangement far more than and sketches. Here also we held an admirable poster show and a display of fine "In the assembly room last winter the photographa.

"We have received a few gifts of pictures teachers held classes in literature and in peychology, under professors from Co- and sculpture. Even the beginning of an lumbia college. In other rooms they held art gallery or museum may be a long time meetings of their guild, of the Principals' in coming: but our building, so wisely proassociation, of the State Principals' as- vided with rooms not now needed by the sociation, of departments of the State library proper, with such exhibitions and Teachers' association and of any of their meetings as our friends secure and arrange organizations which can be called educa- for us, is sure to raise the thought of a tionul. The pleasant relations already ce- permanent exhibition and a general desire tablished between the library and the for it. We cannot properly house an art schools have been in this way widened gallery worthy of the name, but we can and strengther.ed. Thousands of pupils provide space for one in its earlier years, heard of our books through teachers who and are sure to have that pleasure "The evening drawing school of the city,

part of our public school system, looks to us for books, pictures and designs of every kind. The work of the day schools manual training and sewing has already been exhibited on the fourth floor. We shall soon have a lantern, a screen and a supply of slides for illustrating talks on

applied art and other topics at the service, without charge, of all the educational workers of the city. We are planning for a circulating collection of objects illustrative of Newark's industries, a series of tiny traveling, industrial museums, which, while arranged in the library, will be of value to the manufacturers as illustrative of their work, and while in small sections in the schools will help the teachers to interest their pupils in the activities of their own city.

"And so, to the extent of our resources and abilities, and to the limit of our building, we can help to increase the interest in fine and industrial art, and especially in the possibility of illustrating the two by objects owned and objects made in our city. "The Technical School of Newark is an evening trade school. Its friends wish to ing city needs, while retaining its present admirable position as an evening school for young men already at work in shops and factories. The library can help in this development only indirectly. "The exhibit of the processes of man

ufacture shown in the traveling industrial museums which I have mentioned would increase the interest in and respect for the that does not approve itself to the proper workshop and the products of patience and skill among the next generation of young men. Books and journals on tech-

Benefits in School Room Art. nical education we put before our readers "The possibilities of work in this direcas much as possible. And to the collection in our children's room we are adding tion are not yet realized. A simple, inexpensive, appropriate, attractive furnishing books on all trades and industrial arts of our school rooms would train our teachas rapidly as we can afford to get them, ers themselves, and then the pupils in the hoping to interest young people in them. or at least to make them familiar with elements of good taste in decoration and design, and would hasten the coming of their existence before they leave the school and for the most part the library, the day when more of our manufactured for a work bench or an office. of skill in design and cultivated taste, Guide to Illustrations.

which so many of them now need. "We are compiling a dictionary of illus-"That is the side of profit. On the side trations, a universal iconographic encyof pleasure we can say that nothing can clopaedia. From all possible sources we give a finer or more abundant pleasure gather pictures. We mount a few of the than an interest in, and an appreciation best, these chiefly for special purposes, as of, beautiful things. And the secret of the needed. Most of them are grouped by increasing interest in art in this country kinds in simple folders of Manila paper lies not so much in our art schools, in im- They already numbers about 29,000, and ported pictures and in museums of art, as cover a thousand subjects, though it is In the broadening and deepening of the hardly more than a year since we began to interest in the beauty of nature itself and gather them. We lend them to all comers In the simple and inexpensive products of for many purposes. our factories and shope. There is more "Eight-Every city is capable of better-

permanent possibility of pleasure in many ment in streets, parks, schools, public a 10-vent chromo or 5-cent tea cup than buildings, monuments, drives, cleanliness in many a \$1,000 picture of \$100 vase; and we and samitation are beginning to see that this is so.

"Newark, like most cities, has an active "Three-We should help to establish a board of trade, civic improvement societies and kindred organizations, which give "One of our vacant rooms is admirably attention to these matters. Meetings of adapted to the beginning of such a colsome of these organizations are held in the

lection, and there are intimations that a library, and we try to provide the literafew small collections, especially suited to ture they need. The board of trade is school use, will make this room a center trying to help the schools to include more Mr. Hill and his directors put it up, not of arrangement and distribution. Our study of Newark, its advantages and disbuilding cannot house a museum really advantages, its beautiful and its unsightly

It took less than four yearly prepaid subscriptions to win a trip to St. Louis in the first exposition "election." There are fifty more trips to be voted for, and you might as well be one of the fifty, or see that one of your friends is one of the people who gets an inexpensive vacation.

Ten More Trips To Be Voted For This Week.

The second "election" started on Friday, the 25th, and ends next Thursday, March 31. Look over the following list of last week's winners and the number of votes they secured. They were certainly easy:

John H. Disney, David City	4,832
John Woodworth, Omaha	4,491
George Backus, Omaha	3,574
M. A. Martin, South Omaha	3,556
Miss Ruby Spigel, Omaha	3,223
Anna Carlson, Florence	
Emma Hoskovec, Omaha	2,381
Mrs. E. Peterson, Omaha	2,209
W. S. Robertson, Omaha	1,924
Miss Ruth Cornett, Nebraska City	

These ten and fifty more will take a trip to the World's Fair at St. Louis any time they please during the exposition. They will go



This road direct to the exposition grounds, and in addition to saving a day for you either going or coming; to be enjoyed at the exposition instead of starting from the station in St. Louis, it will save you time, because it is the shortest road between Omaha and St. Louis.

THE DIAGRAM BELOW SHOWS: WABASH LINE WORLD'S FAIR TERMINAL STATION LOCATED IN FRONT OF THE MAIN ENTRANCE

DE GIVERVILLE AVE:

study of their needs. I can speak more freely, also, of the work of the libraryitself than I could were it not, primarily, Mr. Hill's organization which I am carrying on, his plans, in great measure, which I help in arousing an interest in it. am trying to carry out.

"Newark is a manufacturing city, con sequently it has a very large proportion of aborers and mechanics, skilled and un- than what I have said would lead you to skilled, in its population. It is thirty suppose. minutes and 10 cents from New York; con- gained the first prize at a recent national sequently most of its artistic, literary, contest in Baltimore. Possibly our build scientific and musical, and much of its ing cannot accommodate the musical financial and social interest centers there. | meetings proper, even of small organiza-The result is that it has, relatively to other | tions. But the library can assist in maklarge cities which are remote from the ing a collection of music for general use greatest centers of wealth, population and and can keep its collection of books on genefal human attraction, a rather slight educational, recreational and generally interest in them. self-centered life of its own. Not that the hawyers, doctors, preachers, manufacturers, musical, it is, of course, our function business men, teachers-and women-may to aid by all the means at hand. be considered slow, spathetic or uninterested. But they have the habit in matters such as those I have named of looking elsewhere.

The city has no art gallery, no museum of natural history, no music hall worthy of ltself, no adequate art school, no sufficient technical school and joins with the state in permitting the historical library to langwish for lack of funds.

What Should the Library Bef

"Now, in any community, old or young, large or small, which for causes peculiar to itself has not, or has in poor estate, the institutions and interests which I have mentioned, what should be the attitude of the free public library which the people of that community have had the foreapplied. thought to build, equip and provide with sure income? We have a building which is in itself a stimulus to the broader interest and the wider view; ideally arranged tors have secured the services of three and her work. for library work proper and for work out- of our leading citizens to serve as a fine side of book lending; an annual income of arts commission. This commission, primabout \$50,000, and a community which, with arily appointed to decide if the pictures a business view arising naturally in a city and other art objects which are offered devoted chiefly to business, looks for a to the library are worthy of a place in it. maximum of results from all its invest- has been of the greatest assistance in

"One-We should make ourselves in ef- furnished our assembly room on the fourth fect a part of all the school work of the floor with reflectors for lighting suitably city, public and private.

"On our fourth floor-with elevator-is a assistance of a local dealer in pictures, large, unassigned room. Fending the com- they gathered for us a loan exhibition of pletion of the new city hall, offices were fine paintings, almost the first notable needed for certain school supervisors. We public display of the kind ever held in the were glad of an opportunity to give them city, and followed it with another, brought this room. In other unassigned rooms together by an expert. these and other supervisors hold meetings "To the two came 50,050 visitors, ten times with their teachers. Naturally the teach- as many as most of the older residents of gling and striving; condemned to strive and ers come to think of the library as part the city would have said would come to struggle for so many ages-yet to advance



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worthy of the name. But it can, and features, its history and its future in the most appropriately, furnish space for its curriculum of the first seven years. This beginnings, room for the meetings of is with the hope of fostering more rapidiv a proper local civic pride in the thousands of children of foreign parents or those interested in it, and needed books and papers; and the library can materially foreign parentage who come to our school-"Four-We should help the local musirooms every year.

cal interests. "The library tries to keep posted on this work and to provide appropriate literature "Newark is a musical city, more a therefor in advance of the call for it. You A Newark musical society can get golden conduct only from golder instincts. Every city is a mirror of its Cleanliness and beauty in a citizens. municipality reflect the manners and taste of its people, not its ordinances, its board of health and its street department. Beautiful American cities are taking birth today every schoolroom in the land-or in music and musicians well in advance of should be.

"As I told you, all this being by inheritance and not my creation, I can speak "Five-Study clubs, literary, artistic of of it with considerable freedom. If I have told the story properly, you will have seen that our library tries to present itself as "Those of Newark, many of them, meet in our unused rooms, are given the proper center for so much of the litlight and attendance, and are supplied erary, scientific, artistic, industrial and genwith books, papers. lists and pictures to eral social life of our city as finds asso-

the limit of the library's resources. clation with it sympathetic and helpful This The story, let me assure you, outruns the brings to us the good will and the help of women's clubs of all kinds. reality. We try for much; we can do so "Six-We should help charitable organlittle. But if I have illustrated clearly the izations of all kinds like those working main point of my paper-that a city's free for vacation schools, which originated in public library is a city's school without Newark many years ago, for summer play age limits, rules or masters; a city's temgrounds and kindred organizations. ple, without a creed; a city's friend, giving "These meet in our rooms, day or even-

help without reproof or biame; a city' ing, without charge. And these and others center of enjoyment and good will-then are supplied with light for lantern exhibi- is the story worth the telling, even when its anticipations outrun its deeds, when its "Seven-We should encourage the develhopes outrun the realities opment of an interest in art, both fine and

Librarians' Aim.

"Let me add just a word. I have written down a few lines, summing up very broadly a librarian's view of the world, her library "Imagine her, alert, vigorous, cheerful

standing on the steps of her library and looking out over her town. She says: "Behind me is the diary of humanity,

the autobiography of man, the record of ments. And what should we do? I shall many ways. Chiefy through the efforts of all his experiments-failure and success all that he has done, of all his imaginings, of its chairman, Monsignor Donne, they alike. Here is the knowledge, lacking which civilization would pass in a day, and here the wisdom which, applied but for one day, pictures and other objects. Then, with the would change our imperfect society into one better than we can fashion out of dreams. And all this is set down in skilfully chosen words, cunningly put together, by the wisest and the wittiest and the most human of our forbears

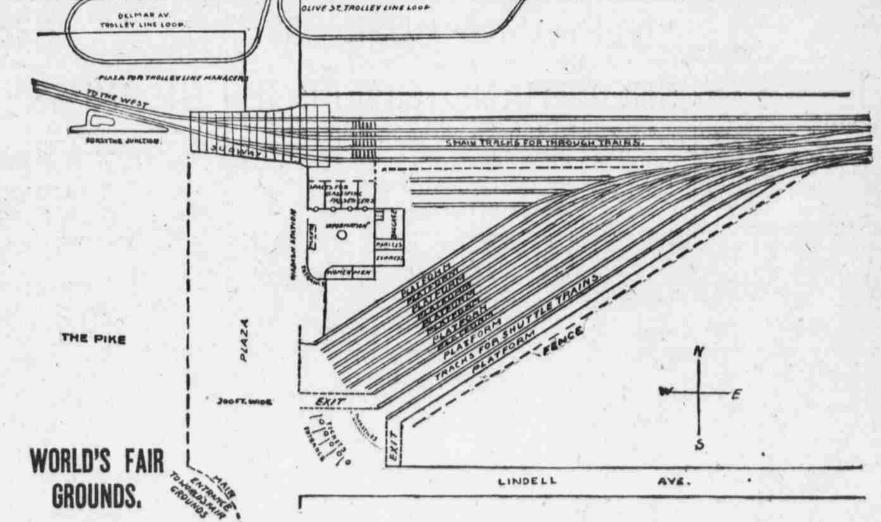
"'Before me is the world, still strugso little! Here to gain for a time friendship, love, mutual aid and that social effectiveness we call civilization. There, to lose all, thus gained, for a day, for generations, through envy, greed, hatred, strife and all unkindness.

" 'It is mine to help to put into the hands of these, my fellows, who have here almost by merest chance selected me for the task, so much of this record of man's strivings, attainings, hopes, prophecies and fears, of this library, of this composite volume, of this veritable book of books, as they will take with pleasure; they hoping with me that they may learn from the wisdom of the elders how to live with more joy, how to work together more happily. I may see no harvest of the seed their library may

Bee. sow. But can I make this many-volumed work of human history-this Books of Books -to be the every-day book of these, my friends?

"'If I can, even in slight degree, I have carned my hire, I deserve my place, I find my labor play, my duty opportunity, and very day too short." "

The expenditure of Russia in the city of Harbin. Manchuria, for public improvements was \$15,450,000.



PLAN OF TRACKS FOR LOCAL, THROUGH AND EXCURSION TRAIN SERVICE-SHUTTLE EQUIPMENT TO CARE FOR 25,000 PASSENGERS PER HOUR.

Work on the Wabash World's Fair terminal is now in programs and will be pushed to combary indernating and will call for an outling of Skoll in strack is lead into the through main tracks us not as rapidly as possible. This is an importan-tion structure alone. President Hamsey has given the sand through to the plas for the track of the plan for the for minal which is located directly in front of the provide tracks are and passengers; setting of the tracks of the outling tracks. And passengers is the plan to the start and will be used for the through main tracks will be tracks and passengers; setting of the tracks of the outling to be plant on the same beam and with sease arranged across the shear tracks of the outling the book, the through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the outling the scale the did through the tracks of the outling the track of the outling to the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the start through and the crustion did the tracks of the start the did through the tracks of the start and through the tracks of the plant of the

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