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GREETINGS! May this first $N_{\rm e}$ wletter of the 1968-69 year usher in a successful season for all Kentucky Libraries and Librarians and their friends!

FALL MEETING OF FRIENDS OF KENTUCKY LIBRARIES, INCORPORATED

LUNCHEON - In conjunction with Kentucky Library Trustee Association

Place - - Lexington, Phoenix Hotel, Crystal Ballroom Time - - Thursday, November 7, Noon - 12 o'clock

Speaker)

Topic) - To be arranged. Announced in next Newsletter

Cost)

Immediately after the luncheon, with its program (brief and entertaining), the two groups will separate; the trustees to leave, the Friends of Kentucky Libraries, Incorporated to remain in the ballroom for a business meeting.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR --- NOVEMBER 7 Saved

Note that our meeting precedes that of Kentucky Library Association. Our members attending our luncheon need not pay the K.L.A. registration fee unless they so desire. All are, of course, invited to join and remain for the K.L.A. meetings the first of which will be on Thursday evening, November 7, a general session, and the last of which will be on Saturday at noon.

ANNUAL MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD - Notes

The annual meeting of the Executive Board was held on September 16 in Louisville. Arrangements for our annual members meeting (November 7) were discussed and partially decided upon. Choice of speakers was left to a committee.

Miss Willis brought up the matter of the extreme importance of working for libraries at this time in order to preserve progress achieved by retaining the state and federal grants which can be kept only if local people do their shere. Our organization can help by understanding the problem and bringing it to the attention of the general public through all news media.

Miss Willis thanked our organization for their support of the library in Campton, Wolfe County - a library now doing fine work in its community. We are all very proud of this success in an Appalachian County which had never had adequate library service. Miss Willis tells us that Wolfe County has now passed a library tax as a result of the demonstration.

POSTSCRIPTS

TO PROVERBS

By

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with

THREE ANTI-PROVERBS

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Illustrated

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Frankfort, Kentucky 1968

For Friends of Kentucky Libraries, Incorporated

Mrs. George Gray is having 1,000 copies of this small book printed at her own expense so that we may sell them and place the proceeds in our treasury for use in helping hard pressed public libraries and librarians of the state.

The short poems are, for the most part, humorous and intended for entertainment only.

The illustrations are line drawings from the pen of Sarah McClellan, a sixteen year old. This work is her first assignment. The drawings are done in a humorous manner to match the spirit of the verse.

The red cover will add appropriateness to the booklet when it is used as a Christmas gift.

The price - modest - \$1,00 a copy, postage paid.

Here is a unique gift - something no one will receive two of for Christmas! The booklets are not for sale in bookstores - only through Friends of Kentucky Libraries, Incorporated.

You may reserve your copy when you send in your dues for membership. (Use the coupon which will appear in next month's Newsletter.) If any copies are off the press in time, some will be brought to the meeting on November 7 and will be sold at that time.

The importance of clarifying our by-laws to outline clearly the procedure of nominating new officers was brought before the meeting by Mr. Oldham Clarke. A decision was made that new by-laws be drawn up and presented to the entire membership at the November 7 meeting for consideration and possible action.

Pendleton County Library Falmouth

A letter was read from Mrs. Corinne Britton, Chairman, Pendleton County Library District Board. Part of it follows:

"On behalf of the library board again I want to tell you how much we appreciate the help of the Friends in paying the rent on our building.

"We are much pleased with the way our library is progressing. It is now open each weekday and one night. We have a Saturday story hour for the small children. Attendance at this is as many as we can accommodate. A local funeral home allows us to keep some of their chairs for the children to sit on.

"Our library is being renovated for better appearance. New shelving will be ordered soon.

"The steaming hot days of August have been made most pleasant by the air conditioner given by Mr. and Mrs. Oldham Clarke of Louisville. Mr. Clarke was born in Falmouth and spent his boyhood days here.

"We have had so many lovely things done for us we can never repay them except by serving the people of Pendleton in the best way through the library."

After the letter had been read, Miss Willis told us that a small library tax has been passed to support this library. We are happy about such a successful outcome and we particularly wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Clarke for their donation.

The Elva Moss Willis Memorial Fund

Spontaneously and unasked, many people have sent this organization donations for this fund - \$200.00 being the present total. Anyone wishing to add to it may send contributions, so marked, to Mrs. Russell Houston, Jr., Executive Secretary, FKL, Inc., 2512 Wighton Drive, Louisville, Ky. 40205.

Margaret Willis apologizes to everyone for not having expressed her appreciation at this time. She plans to write, later, to each one. Meanwhile, she offers her deep gratitude for their remembering her mother. Mrs. Willis died July 29 of this year.

<u>Dues for Nembership</u> -When are annual dues to be paid? Formerly, they were due at the time of the annual meeting. A coupon will appear in the next Newsletter. However, the question of the best due date will be discussed at the November meeting.

Some persons have accidentally paid annual dues twice. Please examine your last membership card and see what it says. You may have already paid for the coming year.