

Institution So Dak Training School Location Plankinton, So Dak

Does the institution have a library yes.

Are most of the inmates able to read yes. Number or % of illiterates about 5%

No. of volumes in active circulating collection (not counting books in storage or discarded) about 1500 When was this count made May 4, 1936

How many are school text books none. How many so worn or out-of-date as to be useless 16.

No. of volumes circulated in 1934: Fiction 150 Non-Fiction 100 Total 250

No. of volumes permitted to be taken at one time one Time limit allowed on Books one week
subject to renewal one week

SUPERVISION

Mark X before whichever has active charge of your library:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inmate	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Civilian Librarian	<input type="checkbox"/> Social worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Chaplain	<input type="checkbox"/> Guard or Keeper
<input type="checkbox"/> A worker from a library outside the prison	<input type="checkbox"/> CWA or PWA, etc; worker
<u>Teacher</u> Other	

Name and address of person in active charge of library (if not an inmate) J.M. Weber. Plankinton

Mark X in front of any or all of the following which apply to the person in charge of the library: (whether civilian or inmate)

High school graduate College graduate Library school graduate

No experience in library work before started present job
 At least one year of experience in library work before this job

Devotes full time to library duties, or almost full time

Library duties are subordinate to other duties. What are they Teaching

Is there any active supervision over the library's work by outside agencies, as State or Public Libraries, a supervising librarian, etc.? What is it _____

Mrs. C. A. Reddy, wife of Supt. solicited for books and looks after library in general. (Member of League of American Penwomen)
Name and address of person in charge of this work _____

SUPPORT

Please write in the answers to these questions:

Does the library receive a place in the regular budget of the institution _____

Approximately how much money was expended for new books for the library (not school texts) in the last 5 years _____ The year 1934 _____

How often do you buy new books _____

From where do you get your book funds (as Appropriations; Commissary funds; Gifts; Special fees from visitors, etc.) We have purchased very few, most

of the books have been donated to us. Mrs. C.A.Reddy has told the service club of different towns, the D.A.R, chapters and friends of the need and our books are for the most part, second hand, but we have received some new ones.

We have a \$500.00 fund for school and library. It is used for text-books,

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pencils, paper, etc. We operate ten years of school and unlike public schools in our state, we must purchase all texts and supplies. This does not leave anything much for the library. We manage a few magazine subscriptions.

METHODS

Do inmates have to depend entirely, or almost entirely, upon the library to secure reading matter yes What other sources do they have, as, subscriptions to magazines and papers; personally owned books; school; commissary, etc. _____

May inmates come to the library to select their books yes. What restrictions are placed on this privilege Good behavior & School record

What part of the inmate body must choose its books from a printed or mimeographed or typewritten catalog no part

Does this list contain all the books in the collection _____

Is it up to date _____

Is there a shortage of copies of the list _____

How are the lists made available to the inmates _____

Filled in by _____

Date May 6, 1936.

Official title _____

P.S. - Will you please put the Committee on Institution Libraries of the American Library Association on your mailing list to receive a free subscription to your prison paper (Have none) The point is to keep track of any library activities that might be reported. It should be addressed to

Mr. Raymond C. Lindquist, Chairman
A.L.A. Committee on Institution Libraries
Penitentiary of the City of New York
Riker's Island, New York City

Our books are on open shelves. Our inmates are allowed to look them over and make their own selections under the supervision of the teacher in charge of the library. We list all books in ledgers so that we can see the type of book most popular and to give an idea of the number and type of boy or girl reading them. This helps us to place the boy in the right situation and also gives another side-light upon his character. This is also true of the girls in the girl's school.

C. A. Roddy
Superintendent.