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THE LIBRARY

The work of building up an association library is an important undertaking. For the past two years we have halfheartedly sought the cooperation of our members in assembling periodicals, books and clippings. The response has been highly gratifying, but the need for more consistent efforts is growing.

As a research organization studying and presenting the work of an unusual psychic the Association needs adequate library service. Our members should have the advantage of an exchange service on the best books being written regarding psychic subjects. Our publications should keep members advised of the latest developments. Studies of the information given on various subjects should have a background of comparative analyses based on the best authorities.

The most important aspect of the library question is concerned with making the vast amount of psychic information in the Association files available to members. It is obviously true that the Association library will contain one of the most complete records of an individual psychic's work ever assembled. Our library should contain volume after volume of loose-leaf books filled with information on different subjects extracted from the thousands of individual readings. No real estimate of the value of this work can be made until such material is available.

A program which is so important to the progress of the work of the Association requires the best thought and effort of all of our membership are sincerely interested in broad aspects of the services which may be rendered through this Association. We can outline a plan here but without your cooperation little can be accomplished.

It is true, of course, that each individual should interest himself in the phase of the work which has the greatest appeal. The library program offers an opportunity for an individual to give either little or much of his time and effort as he is able. One or two clippings each week seem very little, but multiply these a hundred times and you can see the beginning of a real scrap book on psychic subjects.

We are going to outline below a program for building up an Association library. It is in no way a final program, for we hope that YOU will make it the basis for suggestions that will lead to continual improvement in procedure.

- 1. The Association Library Committee shall consist of members of the Association who voluntarily agree to serve and take part in some phase of the Library Program.
- 2. The Committee shall be headed by a Chairman who will keep in touch with the various members and direct the activities. This Chairman will have the close cooperation of the Manager of the Association.
- 3. The work of the Library Committee is as follows:
- A. The collection of books for the library from:

Members Private collections Publishers Organizations, Etc.

- B. The collection of magazines, booklets, etc., which deal entirely with psychic subjects.
- C. The collection of magazine and newspaper clippings on psychic subjects.
- D. The reviewing of books, articles and events for publication in Association Bulletins and Research papers.
- E. The planning for and gradual preparation of material from the readings in loose-leaf booklets.

- F. The preparation of a pamphlet explaining the Library Program and outlining a drive for a library building.
- G. The creation of a Library Fund to which contributions may be made for the purchase of books and publications.