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## LOCAL INFORMATION

### HOTELS AND OUTSIDE ROOMS

Hotel announcements were made in detail in the January and March Bulletins. The hotels recommended by the local committee are:—Statler (Headquarters), Wolverine, Tuller, Charlevoix, Addison, Cadillac, Norton, Madison-Lenox. The rates, European plan, are from \$2.00 up.

For rooms outside the hotels, application should be made to William Webb, Public Library, Detroit, Michigan.

### DETROIT

Detroit is a city which has clinging to it more traces of an historic and adventurous past than is usually known. Its French origin is stamped on its name **De-troit**, the Strait, as well as on other place names in the vicinity—Grosse Ile, Grosse Pointe, River Rouge, Bois Blanc, Beaubien St., St. Antoine St., etc.

Though it is known most widely today as the center of the automobile industry, it is still important as the City of the Straits, holding a strategic position on the important waterways of the Great Lakes, for which the French and Indians and the English fought bloody battles in the past. Through this strait went the canoes and sailing vessels of voyageur and explorer, where now pass the heavily loaded freighters which carry raw materials and finished products from West to East, and from East to West. The Strait, now the Detroit River, presents a busy scene in the summer—a changing panorama of ferry boats, freight boats and passenger boats. The Great Lakes voyages on comfortable steamers through the Detroit River, the St. Clair Flats and the Soo to Duluth attract many travelers.

To the visitor with the tourist's eye, Detroit affords the spectacle of a rapidly grown city, with a population that more than doubled in the last decade, bringing it up to the fourth city in size—busy streets crowded with motors, huge and diversified industries, beautiful residences, parks and waterways.

Besides its internationally known motor factories, it has its adding machine works,

its stove works, its important chemical and drug industries.

It stands at the gateway to vacation resorts in the Great Lakes states and Canada which may be reached by boat or train from Detroit. The shores of the lakes are fringed by well-known summering places, such as Charlevoix, Petoskey, Mackinac Island, St. Ignace, Les Cheneaux Islands and others. A variety is accessible, ranging from the well-appointed summer resort to the camp or hunting lodge in the woods for roughing it.

### Local Committee

The Local Committee has been at work for some time arranging for the pleasure of A. L. A. visitors. Its membership is as follows:

Bernard Ginsburg, Board of Commerce, general chairman.

Adam Strohm, librarian, Public Library, General Secretary.

Blanche Tate (Transportation).

Jessie Chase (Reception).

Natalie Hutton (Information).

William Webb (Hotels and exhibits).

Frederick Goodell (Automobiles).

Mrs. Madelene Hirth (Excursions, trips and entertainments).

Marion R. Service (Hospitality, city clubs and country clubs).

Edna Moore (Guide books and publicity).

Elizabeth Knapp (District libraries).

### Local Transportation

The Local Transportation Committee has arranged with the Studebaker Corporation for cars to meet the 9 o'clock boat from Buffalo on Monday morning on which the conducted party from the East will arrive. This is the courtesy of the Studebaker Corporation to the conference. This committee will maintain a booth at the Michigan Central Station to assist those arriving by train.

Rates from D. & C. boats or Union Depot to downtown hotels are 35c to 45c per person and 20c for each additional person.

Taxi rates from M. C. Depot to downtown hotels for one person average 55c to

65c. The rate is 20c for each additional passenger and most taxis will carry 5 people.

The Detroit Taxicab and Transfer Company has the concession for the M. C. R. R. Station.

The Yellow Taxicab Company concession covers the Union Depot and boat docks.

Local committees will provide guide books and maps to the city and vicinity.

#### Information Desk

The Information Committee will have a desk on the ball room floor of the Hotel Statler. From 8 o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night some one will be in charge to dispense information about the city and the conference. They will take charge of appointments for meetings for members of the conference. It is hoped that members will avail themselves of this service to arrange interviews with other members or visitors.

#### Excursions

During the convention week, the local committee has arranged for excursions to points of interest in the city—the Ford factories and other industrial centers and the more beautiful residential suburbs. Boy Scouts will assist the Information committee in directing and guiding visitors. A number of automobile conveyances will be available for drives around the boulevards and parks.

Ferry boats ply between Detroit and the old Canadian city of Windsor, Ontario. Tourists to Detroit usually take advantage of the fact that they can take a "trip abroad" for ten cents. In a few minutes time, one can step upon foreign soil.

#### Entertainments

The S. S. Brittannia has been chartered for a moonlight excursion on the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair, Friday at 8 p. m. An orchestra will be provided for dancing, refreshments will be served and varied and lively entertainment is planned.

Children's librarians are invited to a breakfast on Belle Isle at 8:30 Thursday morning. Information and registration sheet will be posted in the official bulletin board. The children's librarians of De-

troit will be hostesses. Please register your acceptance on arrival.

Tea will be served at the Detroit Public Library, by the staff in the staff dining room to guests at the main library each day from four to five o'clock.

The Society of Arts and Crafts, 47 Watson Street, has extended a very cordial invitation to the A.L.A. to visit their building during the Conference. Architecturally, the building is of great beauty and the Society offers much of interest to visitors.

#### Entertainment Committee

Mrs. Madelene Hirth, chairman.

Mary Emogene Hazeltine.

Flora B. Roberts.

Gordon W. Thayer.

#### Dinner Meetings

Thursday evening is set aside especially for dinner meetings, although some other meetings are being scheduled. All library schools, alumni associations or other groups wishing to arrange dinner meetings are asked to communicate at once with the manager of the Statler.

#### ANN ARBOR

The special train for Ann Arbor will leave Detroit, Michigan Central Station, Thursday at 10:30 a. m. Detroit time (9:30 railroad time). This hour is subject to change, but the departure will not be more than one-half hour later, and will not be earlier. The train will reach Ann Arbor about 11:30 or 11:45 Eastern time. Luncheon will be served at the Michigan Union to all members of the Association attending. After the luncheon, there will be a brief program while the guests are seated at the table. This will consist of a word of welcome by the President of the University, or his representative, and by Regent W. L. Clements, a reply by President Root, and a talk on "Adult education, a common interest of libraries and universities," by Professor W. E. Henderson, director of the University of Michigan Extension Service.

After the luncheon, the guests are invited to inspect the University buildings, including the University library. At 3:30 there will be a complimentary organ recital in Hill Auditorium; and the train will

leave either at 4:15 or 4:30, arriving at Detroit within the hour, thus allowing plenty of time for people to get to their hotels for dinner.

The railroad has set a fare of \$1.50 for the round trip, and tickets will be good returning on any train on June 29. This will enable the people to remain for the Bibliographical Society meeting if they so wish. There are trains at 6:00 and 7:05, so that people who wish to go to the library school dinners can remain for the Bibliographical Society meeting, which will be over by 5:30.

Those who attend the round table conference of university library extension departments will find it necessary to take an early train for Ann Arbor Thursday morning.

It will be necessary for all persons planning to take the Ann Arbor trip to register for that trip with the Ann Arbor committee, W. W. Bishop, chairman, at the Hotel Statler before Tuesday night, June 27.

#### REGISTRATION

A telegram just received from Detroit states that a number of people have reserved double rooms for the conference without giving the names of those they expect to room with, and asks that in the May *Bulletin* all such people be requested to send names of persons not listed so that register will be as nearly complete as possible. Address William Webb, Public Library, Detroit.

#### Advance Attendance Register

In order to make the advance attendance register as complete as possible will all who are planning to visit friends, stay in clubs or boarding houses, or hotels not listed in the A. L. A. Bulletin, please send, as early as possible, their names and proposed Detroit addresses to William Webb, Public Library, Detroit. Those who expect to commute as well as local people who expect to attend one or more sessions are included in this request. The names of those who have made reservations at the hotels listed in the January and March Bulletins will be secured from the hotels. The Register goes to the printer June 15.

#### Registration on Arrival

All persons attending the conference are urged to register at A.L.A. Headquarters immediately upon arrival. The registration desk will be on the ball room floor of the Hotel Statler in the assembly hall near the elevators. The programs, badges, attendance registers, etc., will be given each person upon registering.

A registration fee of one dollar is now required of all who have not paid an initiation fee during the current year.

An effort will be made by the Headquarters staff to keep an up-to-date local directory of all persons attending the conference.

#### EXHIBITS

A committee has been appointed by the A.L.A. and the League of Library Commissions to prepare a county library exhibit. A sample room has been reserved on the 13th floor of the Hotel Statler and plans are under way to make the exhibit representative of national methods.

Material of interest to those recruiting for library work or considering librarianship as a profession will be on display in the assembly hall.

The exhibits by library supply houses, publishers, etc., will be on the thirteenth floor of the Statler Hotel.

Those interested in the care of maps will want to see the index map from the Grosvenor Library, Buffalo, which will be exhibited at the conference. Cards by Mr. Ambruester, the geographical expert, will also be displayed.

Committees or others desiring to make library exhibits should communicate at once with the Secretary of the A.L.A. giving full particulars as to needed space and such other information as will be useful in assigning suitable space.