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Talk about the importance of a library and the need for books to read had been an on going discussion for many years prior to April 18, 1916 when the Logan City Board of Commissioners approved a petition presented to them for the establishment of a public library in Logan City. The importance of the library and the need for books to read as put forth by the citizens of Logan at the beginning of this century has been inspirational. Since 1916 significant contributions of time and resources have been used to build a tradition of dedicated library service in Logan and all of Cache County. This is not to say that the Library has not been through difficult times the last seventy years. But, despite the sometimes seemingly unsurmountable challenges placed before the Library, its importance and the need for books in Cache Valley has never wained.

The past year of 1985 will probably go down in history as the year the library moved from its location of fifty three years at 90 North 100 East but, it should also go down as the year that more books were circulated to the public than any of the previous seventy years and more people used the library than had ever used it before.

Some of the important achievements of the library during 1985 include the following:

1. The number of items checked out reached an all time annual high of 269,074.

2. The number of people using the library grew by 15% or 3,977 new people.
3. The number of individuals volunteering at the library and the number of hours donated increased by nearly 100%.
4. The computerized library management system was established and over forty thousand items were entered into the system.
5. The library continued to provide a variety of programs and services to the community on an on-going basis. These include but are not limited to the following: Preschool storytime, Summer Reading Program, Reference Services, Tax form services, Community Information services, Interlibrary Loan services, Bibliographies, Book reviews, Public meeting rooms, movies, and personalized library services for individuals.

For seventy years the library's traditions have been built and maintained.

Moving to a new location did not diminish nor detract from but rather enhanced these established traditions. The library not only should preserve the past but should house the present and promote the future. The library's new location enhances all three of these concepts. For many years library boards, library staff and the city at large have been planning and preparing for the future of the library. Their dedicated efforts have paid off and the results now show. The future for which they worked is now.

Many milestones still lie before us. It is critical that we do not lull ourselves into believing we have done all we need to now that the new building is finished and all previous statistical records have been broken. Our challenges in the future are just as great and as significant as those recently completed.

I believe that some of these challenges include the following:

1. The library collection needs to be expanded as rapidly as possible to

meet the present demand.

2. The reference and technical services staffing of the library needs to be enhanced and expanded.
3. The cooperation between existing libraries and other informational services in Cache County needs to be formalized.
4. An expanded public relations program is needed to inform all of the public concerning available library services and resources.
5. Serious consideration should be given to finishing the mezzanine for additional study and display areas.

We must accept the challenges before us. By doing so the library will continue to plan, construct, and pass by many more milestones in the future, possibly even more significant than those completed during 1985.

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STATISTICAL BREAKDOWN

1. Library Sponsored Programs: 145
Attendance 5,748

BREAKDOWN:

	Times Held	Attendance
Special Storytimes	12	269
Preschool Storytime	66	2,809
Summer Storytime	27	1,549
Monday Movies	39	1,121
Participants in Summer Reading Program (Not included in total Attendance)		986

2. Scheduled Public Meetings 632
Attendance Unknown

3. Items Circulated: 269,074

Circulation for previous years:

1981	141,911
1982	168,707
1983	233,185
1984	261,989
1985	269,074

Per cent of increase over previous year: 3%

4. Interlibrary Loan Requests Processed: 2,396

BREAKDOWN:

Patron requests from our patrons: 865
Patron requests unfilled: 96

Requests from other libraries: 1,531
Requests filled for other libraries: 654

Per cent of increase over previous year: 6%

5. Population served (1980 Census) 57,176

	Individuals Estimated	Cards Issued
Breakdown of registered Patrons:		
Patrons on file December 31, 1984	26,874	10,187
New Patrons added 1985	8,122	3,079
Inactive Patrons pulled 1985	4,155	1,575
Patrons on file December 31, 1985	30,841	11,691
Per cent of growth: 15%		

6. Volunteer Hours: 1,571.25 hours

NOTE: In addition to the regular volunteer hours approximately 1000 hours were donated by over 200 volunteers when the Library was moved to its new location.

RESOURCES:

1. Catalogued Items:	55,000*
2. Periodicals:	125
3. Newspapers:	8
4. Art Prints:	22

ACQUISITIONS 1985

1. New Items purchased:	6,966
2. Donated Items:	659
3. Total:	7,625

* Estimated number of items catalogued.

PATRON FILE STUDY UPDATE
December 31, 1985

PATRONS IN CACHE COUNTY: (cards issued)

	Total 12-31-84	Deleted 1985	Added 1985	Total 12-31-85
Amalga	16	3	4	17
Avon	3	1	2	4
Benson	37	4	10	43
Cache Junction	0	0	1	1
Clarkston	28	4	11	35
College Ward	31	8	9	32
Cornish	12	4	4	12
Cove	6	1	4	9
Hyde Park	204	32	72	244
Hyrum	475	79	145	541
Lewiston	36	5	15	46
Logan	7,159	929	2,040	8,270
Mendon	123	23	36	136
Millville	149	26	44	167
Mt. Sterling	3	1	0	2
Newton	45	10	13	48
Nibley	151	29	44	214
North Logan	339	53	136	422
Paradise	85	12	28	101
Petersboro	7	0	3	10

PATRONS IN CACHE COUNTY CONTINUED:

	Total 12-31-84	Deleted 1985	Added 1985	Total 12-31-85
Providence	456	89	133	500
Richmond	87	16	38	109
River Heights	147	24	34	157
Smithfield	326	82	108	352
Trenton	23	6	8	25
Wellsville	248	35	85	298
Young Ward	37	6	14	45
Unincorporated	14	2	1	13

OTHER PATRONS ON FILE:

	Total on File 12-31-85
Sun City, Arizona	172
Out of County but in Utah	33
Out of State	5

COMPARISONS:

1. This update shows that 71% of the patron cards are from Logan City and 29% are from the rest of the county. The 1984 report showed 70% in Logan City and 30% from the rest of the County.
2. The total patron file increased approximately 15% during 1985. The number of Logan City patrons increased about 16% during 1985 and the number of patrons from the rest of the county increased about 13%.
3. The number of patron cards in the Out of County Categories increased by approximately 2%.