



THE YEAR

1967

YORK

PUBLIC

LIBRARIES

Evelyn Gregory Branch

- Following the trend, the York libraries had an increase of 33% in the use of informational and reference services. 65,804 books used in the library as compared to 49,320 in 1966. The 226 different periodicals received by the library gave the public access to the latest articles in many fields. The librarians, through careful book selection and day to day service to readers, try to keep pace with the accelerating demands of the people to find out what is happening in their world.
- The Technical Services Department catalogued and processed 18,605 books for the shelves. The number of books withdrawn from the collection in 1967 was small, only 5,159.
- Films were available through the Audio-Visual Services of Metropolitan Libraries. Service clubs, business organizations, churches, schools and individuals borrowed films which were shown to 11,884 people. The advisory function of the film section was stressed. Programmes are drawn up on the basis of the purpose for which the film is being used and the age group of the audience.
- Monthly, annotated book lists of selected current additions to the book collection were printed and distributed by mail or to the borrowers in the library.
- Extension activities included 18 exhibitions of art and handicrafts and 8 film programmes and film discussion evenings. The programmes offered to the public films on art, science, natural history, adventure, social problems and foreign language films.
- 111 Story Hours were held for small children and 11 films were presented for boys and girls of all ages. A children's drama group provided a successful programme at a Centennial party. 48 primary school classes visited the library for book talks and direction in the use of the libraries' facilities. The emphasis in the classroom, on individual research for fact-finding projects and reports caused an increase in the number of children seeking guidance.
- In 1968 with the opening of the new Evelyn Gregory Branch, service will be provided, in the Borough, through 5 libraries and a bookmobile.

YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY

1967 STATISTICS

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| Population | 145,000 |
| Library Membership | 43,000 |
| Book Stock | 193,045 |
| Circulation, all items | 606,350 |
| Use of books for reference | 65,804 |

LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS

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| Mr. C. D. Cuthbert — Chairman | |
| Mayor J. Mould | Mr. J. M. Havey |
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Main Library
1745 Eglinton Avenue West
Toronto 10, Ontario
781-5208

Jane Street Library
610 Jane Street
Toronto 9, Ontario
769-4693

Mount Dennis Library
1123 Weston Road
Toronto 9, Ontario
762-3348

Weston Library
2 King Street
Weston, Ontario
241-3116

Evelyn Gregory Library
120 Trowell Avenue at Keele St.
Toronto 15, Ontario
763-1652

Bookmobile
1745 Eglinton Avenue West
Toronto 10, Ontario
781-5208