

tion published to library war literature. Dr. Van Hoesen has also assisted in the Library War Service in various ways.

In the fall of 1918, the Librarian was released by the Trustee Committee for work with the House Inquiry Commission. When the armistice came and work needed to be pushed, the special facilities of this library were used freely and nearly one thousand books, including a very choice selection of books from the Pitney Collection of International law, was loaned to the Commission, used at Paris during the Peace conference and returned to this library in September. The library has been assured by the Executive Manager and by members of the Commission that the books were well used and the staff help appreciated.

A summary of the present situation as to the contents of the Library follows:

TOTALS OF ALL ITEMS TO DATE	
Bound Volumes	429,286
Pamphlets	97,029
Engravings, Portraits, etc.	3,553
Autographs, Manuscripts, etc.	8,550
Maps	3,250
Broadsides, Folders, etc.	3,938
Museum Objects	2,506
Circulars (estimated)	46,082
Sheets of Clippings (estimated).....	78,645
	672,839
Total items	672,839

Accessions during the year as compared with previous years:

	1918-19	1917-18	1916-17
Totals (all items)	34,139	23,716	26,535
Of which—			
Bound Volumes	22,786	12,033	15,252

Circulation figures:

1918-19	1917-18	1916-17	1915-16
48,152	60,952	73,986	79,316

This drop was the direct result of war conditions and has a partial offset in increased use of war aims books and technical military books. Seventy-three books were borrowed from and 50 loaned to other libraries. The average Sunday use was 34.