

THE YAKIMA VALLEY REGIONAL LIBRARY



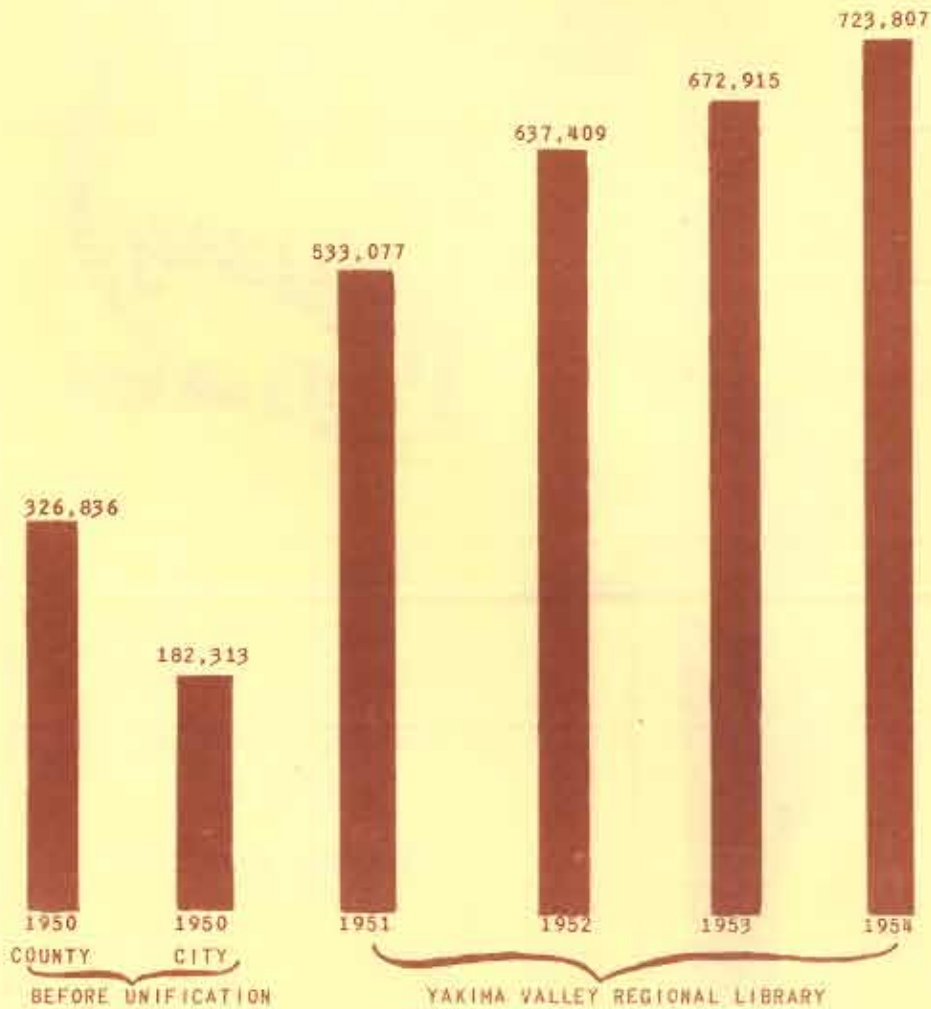
Measures
IT'S GROWTH

PICTORIAL REPORT
1950-1954

YAKIMA, WASHINGTON

HOW MUCH IT HAS GROWN—AND WHY

The use of the Library is measured by the record kept of books and other materials borrowed. Measured pictorially, the thousands of items borrowed from 1950 - 1954 show this relationship . . .



By unifying the resources of the YAKIMA CITY LIBRARY and the YAKIMA COUNTY LIBRARY to form the

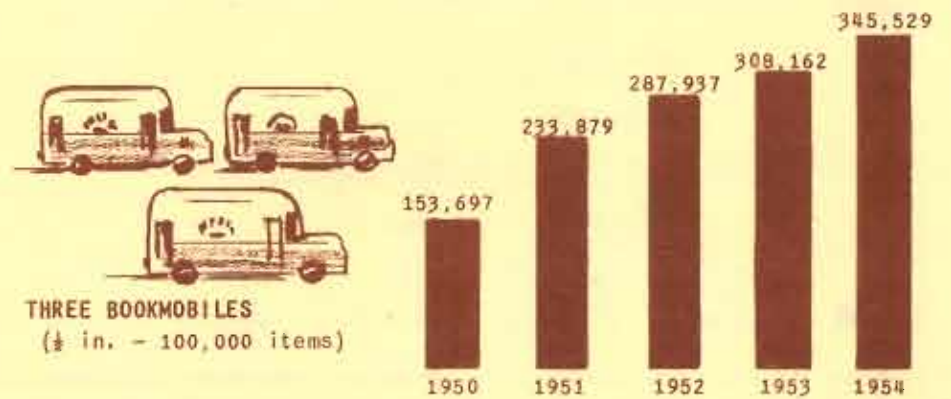
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more people use the improved facilities and receive better service!

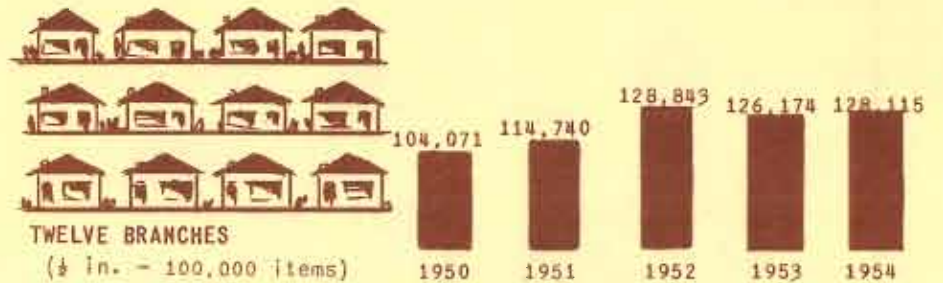
WHERE THE LIBRARY GREW—



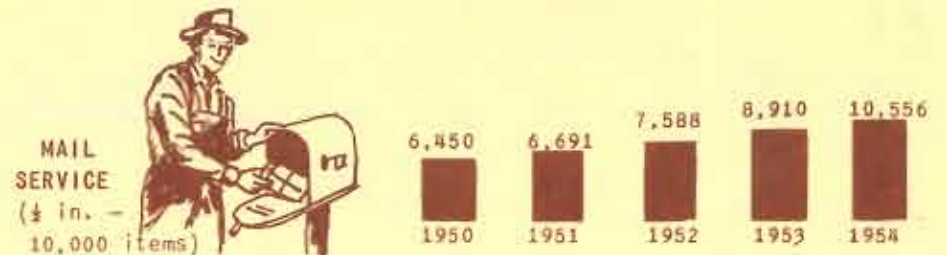
CARNEGIE BUILDING
($\frac{1}{2}$ in. - 100,000 items)



THREE BOOKMOBILES
($\frac{1}{2}$ in. - 100,000 items)



TWELVE BRANCHES
($\frac{1}{2}$ in. - 100,000 items)



MAIL SERVICE
($\frac{1}{2}$ in. - 10,000 items)

WHO MAKES IT GROW—

A library patron is identified by his library card which is re-issued, upon application, every three years.

Free service from the Regional Library is available to all county rural areas, the city of Yakima, and Valley towns affiliated with the library. Residents of other areas may receive the same services by payment of a fee.

Population served	122,177
Total Population of Yakima County	143,200

LIBRARY PATRONS FOR THREE YEAR PERIOD

	1952	1953	1954	
Adult	5414	5166	5682	- 16,262
Juvenile	4146	4294	4754	- 13,194
TOTAL	9560	9460	10,436	29,456



BASIC MATERIALS FOR GROWTH—

The approximate total of all kinds of basic materials available for use in 1954 was 140,851. The average turnover of these was 5.1 times.

BOOKS



Total books in the library . . . 1953	127,742
Books added 1954	13,606
Books withdrawn 1954	4,719
Total books in the library . . . 1954	136,629

RECORDS

Total records in library . . . 1953	525
Records added . . . 1954	202
Withdrawn	5
Total records in library . . . 1954	732



CEILING PROJECTED BOOKS

Total in library . . . 1953	79
Projectors - 3	
Total films added . . . 1954	74
Total projected books in library . . . 1954	153



FILMS

Film bookings during 1954	3,337
Attendance at showings 1954	60,371



IMPORTANT DETAILS OF GROWTH—



THE BOOKMOBILES

	1950 2 bookmobiles	1954 3 bookmobiles
Miles traveled	14,576	22,146
Community stops	112	104
Schools using bookmobiles	15	26
Total bookmobile stops	127	130
Materials borrowed	153,697	345,529

THE REQUEST SERVICE

The shelf space on a bookmobile or in a branch library is limited, however, all the books and materials in the Regional Library are available to the patrons through a special request service.

Requests for specific materials filled in
1954

Carnegie Building	10,923
Bookmobiles	10,867
Branches	4,188
Mail Service	471

TOTAL 26,449

* County only — city bookmobile figures included with Carnegie building for 1950



IMPORTANT DETAILS OF GROWTH—

THE BRANCHES

	Materials Borrowed	1950	1954
BUENA	Doris Fisher — librarian	8,703	11,637
GRANGER	Iona Darrin — librarian	5,184	7,096
HARRAH	Helene Orr — librarian	7,703	6,337
MABTON	Mary Carpenter — librarian	11,431	14,838
NACHES	Mary E. Bateman — librarian	9,631	7,837
NILE	Lillian Richey — librarian	3,192	6,721
TERRACE HEIGHTS	Jewell Randall — librarian	12,600	20,019
TIETON	Velva Pemberton — librarian	11,474	11,396
TIETONVIEW	Roberta Sturm — librarian	4,750	6,386
UNION GAP	Grace C. Plummer — librarian	10,487	14,517
WHITE SWAN	Hell Barttels — librarian	5,973	6,517
ZILLAH	Mary Heade — librarian	12,943	14,814

Totals 104,071 128,115



POLICY-MAKERS CONCERNED WITH GROWTH.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1950

COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

George Martin,
chairman
Jasper H. Johnson
Alfred L. Ray
Mrs. Charles Morrison
Mrs. Jasper McDonald

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**Appointed to fill unexpired term of Rector Johnson*

The membership on the Regional Library Board alternates annually between 3 city, 2 county and 2 city, 3 county members.

Mrs. Helen Gilbert, Regional Librarian

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Yakima, Washington

