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January 31, 1925

Dear Friend:

Pacific College has at present one of the best libraries on the coast for its size, but to meet the advancing requirements of the institution, the normal growth of the library from library fees paid by the students is not adequate. We should have by the fall of 1926 not less than three thousand additions to our present library and we are asking our friends to contribute one thousand of these books between now and commencement time next June. (Of course if you do not have books to give, a cash contribution for the library would be acceptable.)

Will you not look through your library and see if you do not have a number of good books which you would be willing to give to the college library with the idea that they will be helping more people and doing more good here than they would probably be doing on your own book shelves? There are not many families who do not have books which, so far as they are concerned, have served their day and yet are books which might as well be serving many other people.

Following are suggestions as to books that would be most acceptable: Books on Philosophy, Ethics, Religious Education, the work of the Ministry and the Problems and Tasks of the Church; Devotional Books; books on Psychology and Education, especially those dealing with present-day problems of education; books on History, especially on recent history; reference books, encyclopedias, etc; books on Peace and International Comity; books on Economics and Sociology, Social Problems, etc; any standard works in English and American Literature, including prose and poetry by standard authors; standard works in foreign languages, especially German, French and Spanish, with up-to-date books on the teaching of these subjects; books on Mathematics, in English, French or German; books on Chemistry, Physics, Biology and Physiology; books on Public Speaking, Home Economics, Art and Music, Biographies, Autobiographies, Essays, Travels, etc.

If you have books which you would be willing to contribute to the college library please let us know on the inclosed blank. We are asking you to give the titles and authors of the books which you are willing to contribute that we may be sure that they are adaptable to our needs and that we are not already supplied with the same book. In some cases, of course, we can very well use duplicates, and in some cases if you desire to give the book, we can, if we do not need it ourselves, pass it on to some other library, such as that of Greenleaf Seminary, for instance, where it would be of real service.

Thanking you in advance for any help you may be able to give us toward the up-building of our library,

Sincerely your friends,

Mary Eunice Lewis
Mary Eunice Lewis, Librarian

Evangeline Martin, Chr. Library Com.

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