



Thanks for library

C. J. Mallon, president of the Greater Bustleton Civic League (third from right), congratulates David Silver, first vice president of the league, on the opening of the new Bustleton Branch Library, at Grant and Bustleton aves. Silver was central figure in campaigning for new library to replace old, crowded Bustleton Library. Others witnessing the occasion are, left to right: Robert Dieckman, of 803 Alburger ave.; Paul Grundke, of 1021 Grant ave.; David Silver; Otto Knopf, of 9980 Haldeman ave.; James Morrissey, of 9987 Hardy rd.; C. J. Mallon; Mendora Sider, of 1913 Bowler st., and Dr. Domenic DeBids, of 9831 Pecan dr., all members of the league's executive board.

Bustleton folk open temporary branch library

A new temporary Bustleton Branch Library was officially opened on Monday at Grant and Bustleton aves. after a year-long drive to replace the old one.

The new library, temporarily housed in the Northeast Philadelphia Savings and Loan Association building until the branch can be completed by 1963, consists of 4200 square feet of space in this ultra-modern, air-conditioned office building.

The temporary quarters will house the library while the new Junior-Senior High School, now under construction at Verree rd. and Bustleton ave., is being built, and where the permanent branch library will be erected.

The new quarters contrast sharply to the old one, which was housed in a store on Bustleton ave. near Welsh rd., and which was inadequate in addition to being a fire hazard.

Among the officials of the Greater Bustleton Civic League who attended the official opening ceremony Nov. 28 were the following: President C. J. Mallon, David Silver, first vice president who headed the drive for the new library; Mendora Sider, of 1913 Bowler st.; Paul Grundke, 1021 Grant ave.; Robert Dieckman, 803 Alburger ave.; James Morrissey, 9987 Hardy rd.; Dr. Domenic DeBias, 9831 Pecan dr., and Otto Knopf, of 9980 Haldeman ave., all members of the executive board of the league.

In opening the library, Mallon thanked David Silver, Library Chairman and his committee for their work in convincing the city fathers of one of the many

needs of this growing community.

The new library will continue under the direction of Mrs. Gilbert Bancroft, chief librarian.

For the past year, the League has made a concerted effort to secure adequate temporary library quarters while awaiting completion of the new Junior-Senior High School on which site the permanent library will be erected.

Aside from the above projects, the League takes pride in realizing the start of construction of the new Elementary School at Lott and Hoff sts., which the school board has scheduled for contract awards in late December, 1960.