

*Interview with Mrs. Frazier  
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Gretchen: When did Marshall first have a library?

Mrs. Frazier: It was established in 1916.

Gretchen: Did Marshall feel it was important to have a library?

Mrs. Frazier: Has the library always been in the same location?

Mrs. Frazier: No, when I first went in 1920's upstairs over was a grocery store it was difficult to go up and down in the winter because it was slick and hard to get around but, people went anyway.

Gretchen: Do you believe that having a library in Marshall is good?

Mrs. Frazier: Of course it was good.

Gretchen: Why do you feel this way?

Mrs. Frazier: Why everyone needs a library.

Gretchen: Has the library been updated.

Mrs. Frazier: Yes, been several times and it was enlarged greatly a couple of years ago. Now, we get grants which make it possible for books and information for circulation.

Gretchen: do you believe having a library has improved Marshall?

Mrs. Frazier: Yes, in all ways being part of the library system which increase the number of items and fast materials from all over.

Gretchen: How long did you have to try before getting the library?

Mrs. Frazier: I don't know I was a baby in arms. I believe the Women's Club was responsible.

Gretchen: When was the addition of the library added?

Mrs. Frazier: Four year ago perhaps.

Gretchen: Was it hard to get a library in Marshall?

Mrs. Frazier: No not really but you always have people who don't want two cents added to their tax bill when we brought the building and came downstairs the second building was over the city hall. We went begging on the streets so we could buy the first building where it has been for many years. We would get ten cents from some and some we would receive a hundred dollars.

Gretchen: Did people believe it was a waste of money?

Mrs. Frazier: O'h, no nobody was unhappy.

Gretchen; Were any people opposed to the library?

Mrs. Frazier; Not that I'm aware of outside there were always a few who don't want anything added to their taxes.

Gretchen: when did we first have a library in Marshall?

Mrs. Frazier: Back in 1916.