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**Edifice Here** 

of agitation, planning and legislation is a foundation basement in the area bounded by Ninetcenth, Twentieth, Vine fication of the contract and further sug-city. and Wood streets and the Parkway.

More than \$3,000,000 is available for the completion of what is destined to be the central structure of this city's free library system.

Clogged by war delays and litigation, the latest step in the movement is Mayor Smith's recommendation for the annulment of the construction contract held by John Gill & Sons, of Cleveland.

If approved by Councils, abrogation of the contract will clear the way for a readvertisement of bids, a new contract award and the start of actual construc-

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For ten years prior to the advent of
the Reyburn administration, in 1907,
the project for a central free library
building was agitated in this city.

The first official action toward that
end was on July 5, 1911, when \$1,000,000 was appropriated for a main library building on the Parkway.

Horace Trumbauer, the architect, was
commissioned to draw the plans, which
were accepted by the art jury.

A comparatively small sum, \$40,000,
was provided during the Blankenburg
administration. On January 25, 1915,
the \$40,000 item toward completion of
the building was included in the \$11,300,000 city loan.

\$2,460,000 for Building The next and latest appropriation was on July 10, 1916, when an item of \$2,460,000 for the building was inserted in the \$42,450,000 loan.

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Less than a year later, in April, 1917, bids were received for construction of the library. In the specifications the bidders were required to state what credit would be given the city should the local stonecutting ordinance be held in abeyance.

This ordinance, later held invalid by the State Supreme Court, required the cutting, in this city's limits, of all stone required for the construction of public buildings.

The contract was awarded to George A. Fuller & Co., although the Fuller bid was higher than a bid made by John Gill & Sons. The Fuller concern, however, made allowances based on suspension of the stone-cutting ordinance.

Blocked by Taxpayer's Suit But construction work by the successful bidder was blocked through a tax-payer's suit which went to the state's highest court. On June 3, 1918, that tribunal held John B. Cancelmo

that the stone-cutting ordinance was invalid and that John Gill & Sons were not the lowest bidder, as was contended in the taxpayer's suit. The award to

LIBRARY PROBLEM

In the taxpayer's suit. The award to the Fuller concern was confirmed.

Rising costs resulting from the war proved another check. On the ground that rapidly mounting costs, not contemplated when the contract was agreed upon.

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Gill & Sons Get Contract CONTRACT IS CANCELED

Then the task swung to Gill & Sons.
The new contractors dug the basement and began the foundation work. The agreement was that the building should be completed in 600 working days.

Erection of a free library building on the Parkway now looms up as one of the potential achievements of the next city administration.

The net result of twenty-two years of agitation, planning and legislation is a foundation basement in the arms.

Mayor Smith in the smith special section of the contract.

Senator Martin called today at the Moore campaign headquarters, in the Lincoln Building, to confer with Mr. Moore. Failing to find the mayoralty nominee, he transacted his business with Murdoch Kendrick, Mr. Moore's campaign manager. The senator said his visit was to arrange meetings to be held in the northeast section of the community meeting to be held this evening at Paoli in the First Presbyctiv.

### RELATIVES GET BEQUESTS

mitted to Probate Today Relatives were the beneficiaries in

many of the wills admitted to probate The wills probated and the amounts left by the testators follow: Catharine B. Porter, 1221 Spruce street,

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Senator David Martin, Organization leader of the Nineteenth ward, one of the leading supporters of Judge Patterson at the primary election, will work for the election of Congressman Moore. late Otto Wolff showed that it was

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