

LIBRARIES PAST



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The Boys' Library.

Salisbury' School's first library, as it appeared c. 1904. In use until 1961, the space now accommodates the Admissions Office.



The Library c. 1940.

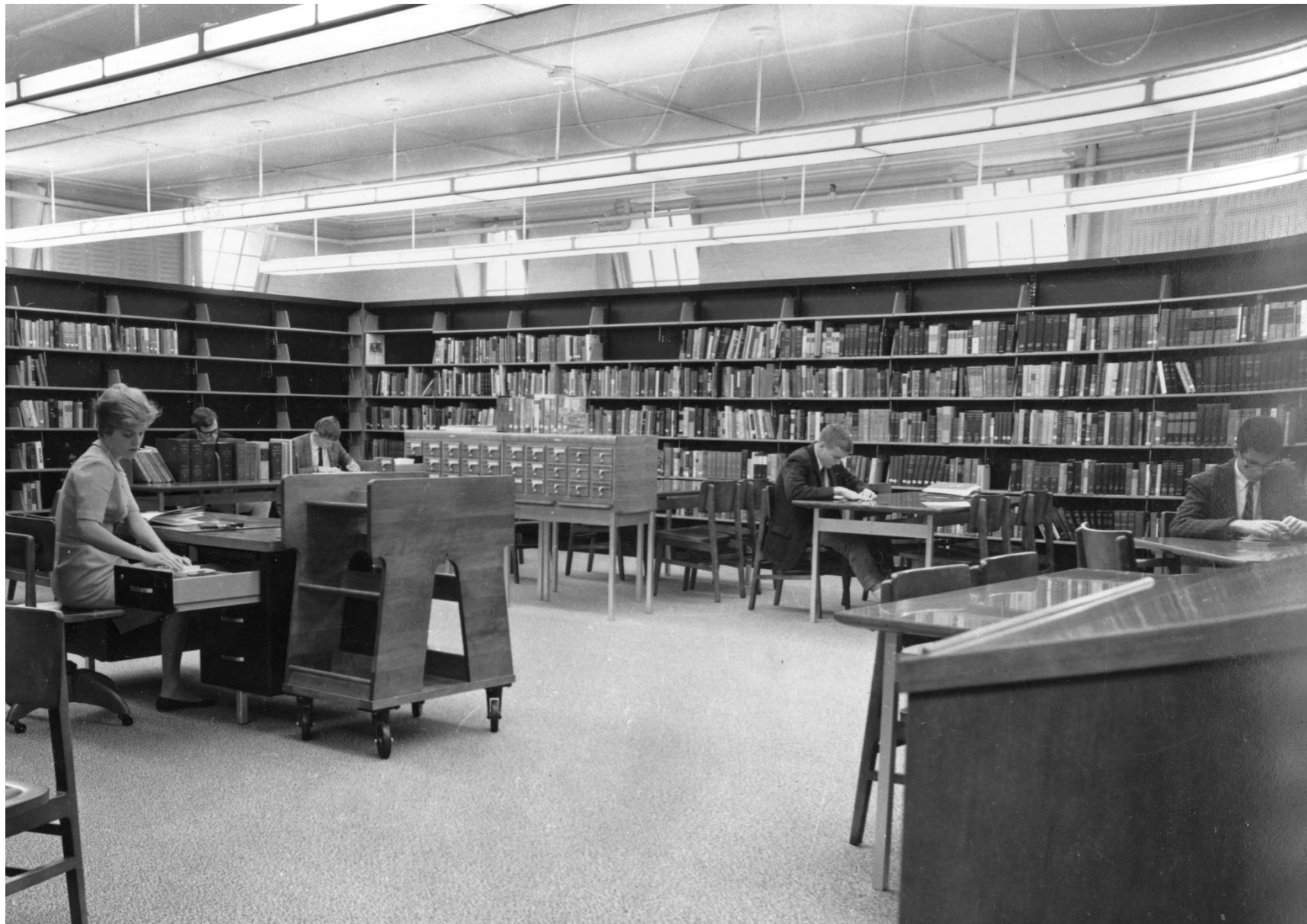


Catching up on the news of the day.





Following completion of the new chapel in 1961, the Library was expanded and relocated to the basement of North Dorm. It remained there for ten years. Librarian Ibba Williams is seated at the desk on the left.





Following decades of service as an athletic facility and then a dormitory, the venerable gymnasium was converted into the Phinny Library in 1971-1972.



Teachers Carl Williams [left] and Robin Mead [right] oversee transfer of the library books from North Dorm to the new facility. A “fire bucket brigade” of students manhandled the books across the campus .



**Headmaster Ed Ward hands the keys to the new building to
librarian Ibba Williams.**











Construction of the new Wachmeister math and science building in the late 1990s necessitated another move, this time to temporary quarters in the reconfigured Childs gymnasium.





Librarians Rose Lane Lopez [left] and Jeannie Parker [right] in their new gym/library.

In 2001, the library moved to its new home in the Centennial Building, the first purpose-built library space in the institution's one hundred-year history. This will likely remain its home for generations to come.