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### **Oregon Agricultural College Librarians, 1922.**

Oregon Agricultural College library staff celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a costume party. Lucy Lewis, College Librarian from 1920 to 1944, was known for her ready laughter, sense of humor, and sportsmanship—which likely set the tone for gatherings such as this.

**STANDING:** Nelle U. Branch, Reference Librarian; Edith Hague, Assistant Continuations; Mrs. Elzie V. Herbert, Order Clerk; Mrs. Evangeline Thurber, Assistant Reference; Bertha Herse, Head of Periodical Department; Elizabeth Ritchie, Cataloguer; Laurel Canning, Assistant Circulation; Lucy Lewis, Librarian; Ethel Goudy, Assistant Circulation.

**SEATED:** Ethel Allen, Assistant Periodical Department; Lucia Haley, Head of Continuations; Elizabeth Palm, Head Circulation; Janet Herbert (daughter of Mrs. Herbert).

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"A sense of humor is part of the art of leadership, of getting along with people, of getting things done."

Dwight D. Eisenhower