

In conclusion I would like to take this opportunity of reminding all concerned that membership of the Society implies both privilege and obligation. The material benefits to individuals lie chiefly in the receipt of the Society's publications and the opportunity to purchase others at a discount; less tangible but no less significant is the opportunity of being associated with an institution whose collections are part of the national heritage. Reciprocally, membership of such a Society usually carries the obligation to assist in the development of the Library's resources in however humble a way and I am hopeful that our Committee will shortly be able to give specific leads as to how this potential goodwill can be made effective.

D. F. McKenzie, *President*

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#### VIGNETTE FROM THE PAST

Extract from letter to J. H. E. Schroder from Iris Wilkinson (Robin Hyde).

'... As for the Turnbull Library, I've been going there lately and enjoy it even the dog-eared volumes of sermons by first Colonial ministers, but my style is cramped a little by a very sweet old lady with white hair who insists on helping me when ever I don't want it. She won't let me burrow, or ferret, or meander. She finds me the best books on everything and supervises my every step. Now, is that helpfulness or is it suspicion?' *Extract from letter to J. H. E. Schroder from Iris Wilkinsou (Robin Hyde), 6 January 1928*