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Imagine the Exhibition Hall (where the world map lights up brightly with embassies and consulates) overflowing with thousands of books. Imagine a heroic handful of FS wives, husbands and children stacking, categorizing, pricing and otherwise assembling this superfluity of reading material for two days prior to the October 9 Book Mart, and the behind-the-scenes story of AAFSW's smashingly successful book sale is told.

On hand to open festivities in the North Court of the Department of State that Monday morning were Mrs. Rusk and Isabel Thomasson, George Washington University student and recipient last year of an FS Association scholarship, who snipped the ribbon to launch a day of brisk book business.

Over 7,500 books, records, prints and calendars were sold, and \$2,800, more than enough for five scholarships, was amassed for the FS Children's Scholarship Fund, in spite of the fire drill that temporarily emptied the Court of customers.

The most impressive sale of the day was the great number of books, many contributed by Secretary Rusk, which were bought for the Institute of American Universities, Aix en Provence, France, by Dr. Helen Dwight Reid of INR, who is also a trustee of the Institute.

Cascades of praise went to Chairmen Mrs. Edwin M. Martin and Mrs. John Armitage, who modestly attributed the success of the venture to their many assistants...the Area Chairmen who solicited and collected books; the many AAFSW members who devoted the entire day of the 9th selling at the Mart and to the noble husbands from the Senior Seminar and the War College who, at 7 a.m., carried the loaded tables out into the Court.

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