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To the Children of the  
Troy Public Library,

Having grown up in an age devoid of television, the greatest source of joy to me as a child was my visits to the Public Library. When I look back on the many pleasures it afforded me, I do not for one instant regret living and growing up in a TV-less society. I can still remember vividly the books I borrowed on my weekly and often twice-weekly visits. I used to choose my books section by section, going through Historical novels first, then Biographies, Adventure stories and just about getting into Philosophy when my voice changed, my arms outgrew their sleeves and I was old enough to choose my books from the Adult Library. Nostalgically, I still visit the Childrens Library, try to squeeze in to one of those tiny chairs and try to recapture memorable and wonderful days.

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