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## Swansea Free Public Library Ribbon Cutting

**Saturday, November 8, 2025**

**10:00 AM**





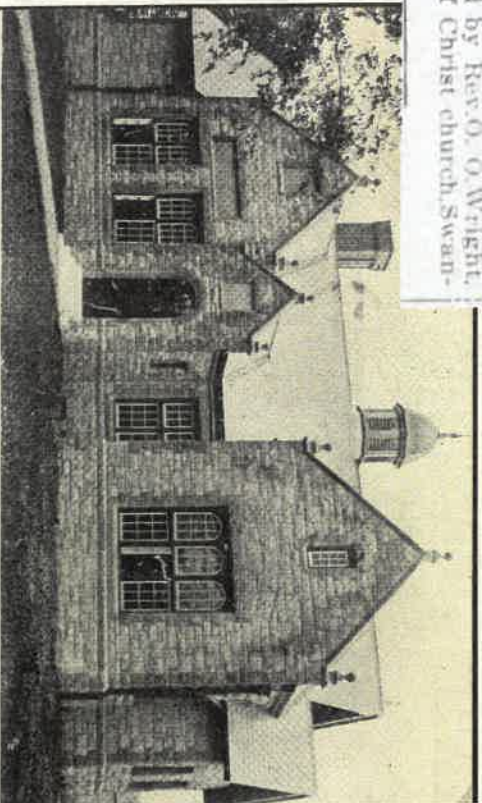
The historic library was built in 1899 and opened in 1900, designed by architect Henry Vaughn. This gift of Elizabeth Richmond Case Stevens was given to the Town of Swansea. His name is memorialized on a panel beneath the sundial on the front of the historic library. The Latin phrase "lego ut disco" is translated to "I read and I will learn." Its initial collection featured agricultural guides, reflecting the community's farming roots at the time.

The renovation and expansion of the library, completed in 2025, is the town's legacy of Elizabeth Steven's original gift to the town. It continues the spirit of learning for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.



#### Library—The Speakers.

The Frank S. Stevens' public library Swansea will be dedicated Sept. 17. t. Albert S. Pillsbury, ex-attorney eral, who was in the Senate with Stevens in 1884, will deliver the leatory address. The poem for the asion will be written by Hezekiah terworth, who is a native of Swan- and a historical sketch of the li- ty will be read by Rev. O. O. Wright, rmer pastor of Christ church Swan-



#### Featured Speakers

Jocelyn Tavares, Library Director  
Mallory Aronstein, Town Administrator  
Angela Dolan, Chair, Swansea Library Board of Trustees  
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