## Notes on People by Laurie Johnston

office. Matimas JAN 1 4, 1976 The Chicago Public Library Board voted unanimously to keep Ralph G. Newman as president. Mr. Newman, nationally known Lincoln scholar and archivist, was fined \$10,000 Jan. 6 for his role in falsely backdating Richard M. Nixon's gift of his Vice-Presidential papers for tax purposes and for lying to Internal Revenue Service investigators. Dr. John Hone Franklin, chairman of the University of Chicago's history department, presided at the special meeting after Mr. Newman excused himself. Dr. Franklin, an authority on black history, said Mr. Newman's "sacrifices" on behalf of the board and the city "illustrate his selflessness and absence of greed."

Dame Agatha Christie left two unpublished manuscripts when she died Monday at age 85, her publisher, William Collins, said in London yesterday. One is the detective-