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The Board of Directors of the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association, at its meeting July 3, 1975, approved the 1975 revision of the <u>Standards for College Libraries</u>, and rescinded the 1959 Standards for College <u>Libraries</u>.

The revised standards are based upon the aggregate experience and judgment of the academic library profession as to adequacy in library resources, services and facilities for a college community. The standards apply to libraries serving academic programs at the bachelors and masters degree levels and may be applied also to libraries serving universities which grant fewer than ten doctoral degrees per year.

The standards are organized on the basis of the major functions and components of library organization and services. Standards are provided for library objectives, size of collection and its organization, qualifications and size of staff, delivery of services, facilities, administration and budget.

The revision was prepared by a committee of academic librarians chaired by
Miss Johnnie Givens, Austin Peay State University. Members of the committee were David
Kaser, Graduate Library School, Indiana University; Arthur Monke, Bowdoin College; David L.
Perkins, California State University at Northridge; James W. Pirie, Lewis & Clark College;
and Herman L. Totten, School of Librarianship, University of Oregon. Jasper G. Schad,
Wichita State University, and Beverly P. Lynch, Executive Secretary of ACRL, served as
ex-officio members. The effort was supported by two J. Morris Jones - World Book

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Copies of the Standards are available upon request from the Association of College and Research Libraries, ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611.

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