

CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK

ADVISORY GROUP ON CANADIAN COLLEGE LIBRARIES

GENERAL STATEMENT AS TO GRANTS
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The Carnegie Corporation of New York has set apart certain funds to assist liberal arts colleges in Canada and Newfoundland in making their libraries of more strategic importance and more vital to the teaching processes of the colleges. The following statement from the President of the Corporation sets forth the Corporation's point of view:

"Faculty and students represent, even separately, highly selected groups; when the two really work together, and that this is possible is being demonstrated in an increasing number of colleges today, the united group thus formed is of unique significance. First-rate library service is absolutely necessary to success in their enterprise, and such service demands not only a generous array of books and journals, well selected and up-to-date, not only a professional staff intelligent and quick to see their educational opportunities; it demands as well a physical equipment which meets the needs of the situation."

To secure the ends desired, the Corporation has approved recommendations of its Advisory Group on Canadian College Libraries as follows:

1. - Grants are to be expended solely for the purchase of books and current periodicals for general under-graduate reading in liberal arts colleges, together with Library or Congress cards for these purchases, and not for research material, special collections, subscription sets, completion of files of periodicals or of text-books either singly or in duplicate. While "A List of Books for College Libraries" by Charles B. Shaw, and the Canadian Supplement (to be issued) are designed to call attention to desirable books for college libraries, colleges need not restrict their purchases to those books listed therein.
- 2.- Grants are payable in three annual instalments. Payments other than the first, will not be recommended by the Advisory Group unless - (a) the previous instalments have been expended as specified in section 1, (b) all books purchased under the previous instalment have been adequately catalogued and made integral parts of the libraries, (c) the library holdings of four-year colleges shall have been checked by "A List of Books for College Libraries" and reported to the Advisory Group.
3. - Grants are intended to supplement, not to replace either wholly or in part, the normal annual allocations by the college for the purchase of books and periodicals, and should be accepted upon this understanding.
4. - In any instance the Advisory Group may make its recommendation for a grant contingent upon the carrying out of definite suggestions for the improvement of the college library.
5. - To aid the Advisory Group, and to complete satisfactorily its study for the Carnegie Corporation, colleges receiving grants are asked to keep a separate list of their purchases under the grant and to make a report, preferably in July of each year during the period of the grant, with regard to library progress.