

find through their investigations that widely held assumptions were unsubstantiated, but they look forward to results by comparable availability studies conducted at similar institutions. The validity, reliability, and sensitivity of the output measures for public libraries is examined in "Public Library

Effectiveness: Theory, Measures, and Determinants," by Nancy A. Van House, *Library and Information Science Research* 8 (1986):261-83. This paper confirms that while such measures are less than ideal research tools, they can be useful indicators for management decision making. ■■

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To learn about ACRL's current programs, officers, and units

Check the *ALA Handbook of Organization* and read *College & Research Libraries News* regularly (as a member of ACRL, you will receive both publications).

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To submit an article for publication

Contact the editor of the publication. For *College & Research Libraries*, send manuscripts to Charles R. Martell Jr., California State University Library, 2000 Jed Smith Drive, Sacramento, CA 95819. Instructions for authors are printed in each issue of the journal. For *C&RL News*, send articles to George Eberhart at the ACRL office (see the guidelines published in January). For *Rare Books & Manuscripts Librarianship*, send articles to Ann S. Gwyn, The Milton S. Eisenhower Library, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD 21218.

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• *Back to the Books: Bibliographic Instruction and the Theory of Information Sources* (1983). Papers presented at the Bibliographic Instruction Section program at the 1982 ALA Annual Conference. Edited by Ross Atkinson. 76p. 6587-3. \$15; ACRL members \$12.

• *The Bibliographic Instruction Clearinghouse: A Practical Guide* (1984). A guide to establishing a clearinghouse. 71p. 6775-2. \$12; ACRL members \$9.

• *Bibliographic Instruction Handbook* (1979). Prepared by the ACRL Bibliographic Instruction