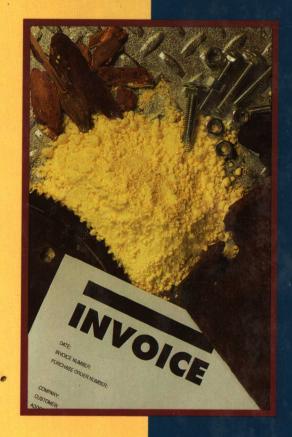
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Bill will not see this 10th edition. He died while the work for this book was in progress. He was one of purchasing's great pioneers and we gratefully acknowledge our debt to our mentor, colleague, and friend by dedicating this edition to Bill and Ruth England.

Total customer satisfaction, total quality management, total cost of ownership, continuous improvement, time compression, world-class competition, focus on value-added activities, environmental concerns—the challenges for today's managers are enormous. Organizations need to enlist their suppliers to accomplish their goals and strategies. An organization cannot survive without suppliers. And no organization can be better than its suppliers. The recognition that customers, employees, and suppliers need to be treated equally and with great care has been rather slow in coming, but is gaining acceptance fast.

This text, now into its sixth decade with the 10th edition, recognizes the major challenges facing all organizations and their purchasing implications. It also provides a solid grounding in the basic tools and techniques of purchasing, along with opportunities to test comprehension in carefully crafted questions and cases.

Aside from major revisions in almost all chapters, additional inclusions are: an expanded treatment of quality, the ISO 9000 standard and the Malcolm Baldrige Award, standards of conduct and code of ethics for purchasing professionals, supplier relationship management, strategic alliances, partnerships and preferred suppliers, performance benchmarking, an expanded treatment of transportation in a deregulated environment, more thorough treatment of investment recovery, environmental considerations in procurement, the U.N. Convention for the International Sale of Goods, and a strategic perspective on capital asset acquisition. Twenty new cases are included in the text, all contributed by practitioners facing interesting decisions.

The purchasing field continues to provide significant challenges into the 1990s and we hope this text will assist in the field's continuing development.

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