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Foreword

IN order that the *American Journal of Physics* may be used effectively, an index covering more than one year at a time is necessary. It is even more necessary than it would be in the case of a journal of similar size in which much original research was reported, for the reason that developments in teaching do not follow as simple or as easily remembered a chronological pattern as developments in research.

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The majority of the work required in the preparation of this 20-year cumulative index fell on the shoulders of Dr. B. H. Dickinson, Assistant Editor of the *American Journal of Physics,* who spent the equivalent of many months on the task. In organization and in typing, he was generously aided by Mrs. Dora Murphy, who recently concluded a three-year period of valuable service as secretary to the Editor of the *American Journal of Physics*. She, in turn, was assisted in the mechanical details by Miss Nancy Heuer and Miss Jane Turner.

All these individuals join the Editor in the hope that this 20-year index will serve its purpose in making the volumes of the *Journal* much more useful to their owners than they have been in the past.

THOMAS H. OSGOOD
Editor

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How to Use This Index

THIS Cumulative Index is intended to provide ready reference to all material published in the *American Journal of Physics* in Volumes 1 (1933) to 20 (1952). Since the system of indexing the early volumes differed from that used for later ones, a completely new index has been prepared. By its use the searcher should be able to locate the name of any contributor to the *Journal* or the title of his contribution.

The Index is subdivided into two parts: an Author Index listing the names of the contributors of papers, notes, letters, book reviews, and abstracts of addresses; and an Analytical Subject Index listing the titles of papers, notes, letters, book reviews, addresses, and digests of periodical literature. The Author Index lists the names of contributors alphabetically; the Analytical Subject Index lists the titles of contributions according to a Classification of Subjects to be found on page 2 of this Index. Since most papers and addresses can be classified under more than one of the categories listed, multiple listing of the titles has been employed in preference to a system of cross references, with the expectation that the Analytical Subject Index will be easier and quicker to use.

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