

## EDITORIAL NOTE

This issue of the JOURNAL is devoted to indexes. It contains indexes of contributed papers and abstracts for volumes 27–45 (1962–1980), and an index of reviews by subjects for volumes 27–40 (1962–1975). It also contains the annual list of officers, committees, and members of the Association.

The *Index of Contributed Papers* lists, by author, all papers published in the JOURNAL since volume 26. It continues the index in volume 26, pages 2–12, which listed all papers published in volumes 1–25 of the JOURNAL. In addition, year-by-year indexes to contributed papers will be provided by the annual listing of the contents of each volume.

The *Index of Abstracts* similarly lists by author all abstracts published in the JOURNAL since volume 26. It continues the index in volume 26, pages 13–19, which covered the earlier volumes. It is intended that extensions of this index and of the *Index of Contributed Papers* will be published at regular intervals.

The *Index of Reviews by Subjects* covers all material reviewed or listed by title in volumes 27–40 of the JOURNAL, 1962–1975. It incorporates the subject indexes published in volumes 30 and 35, and continues the index in volume 26, pages 149–239, which covered all items reviewed or listed by title in the earlier volumes. The indexing of reviews by subjects was discontinued following volume 40 (1975). The biennial indexes of reviews by authors will be continued as in the past.

The *Index of Contributed Papers* and the *Index of Abstracts* were prepared by Ms. Arlene Thomas of the American Mathematical Society. The *Index of Reviews by Subjects* was prepared by the reviews office of the JOURNAL; Dr. Perry Smith did much of the subject indexing for volumes 36–40 and Ms. Abigail Bok performed the editorial and clerical work.

In the indexes of contributed papers and abstracts, the attempt is made to list under a single heading the items by each author or each group of authors. To do this, it has been necessary to decide when two similar but syntactically distinct names in fact denoted the same author. It is hoped that these decisions have been made correctly; any errors should be brought to the attention of the office of the Association in Providence.