

Editorial Department

Research and Clinical Practice

The July and October issues of *The Angle Orthodontist* exemplify individual and institutional contributions to the Science of Orthodontia. The material represents the gleanings from a comprehensive and carefully conducted study pertinent to a specialized field. The investigations from which these data have been gathered comprise an investment in scientific research of from one-quarter to one-half a million dollars. They are the product of untiring physical effort, intelligent observation and judicial evaluation by trained investigators and clinicians. The studies themselves have been made possible by contributions of philanthropic laymen and cooperating institutions whose incomes likewise accrue from similar sources.

The collected data has been reviewed, summarized and evaluated, and the distillate of interest to the orthodontist presented at considerable expense through the instigation of the Eastern Association of Graduates of the Angle School of Orthodontia. The illustrations in this issue have required the time of technicians for many weeks in order that the data might be clearly and accurately presented. They have had the careful supervision of the author, using time donated and diverted from his practice, his studies and his family. The material thus painstakingly gathered and beautifully presented through these agencies, has been made a permanent record in scientific literature through this Journal, which itself is only made possible by the generous support of the Society by which it is published and which annually contributes twelve hundred to fifteen hundred dollars to its maintenance.

In this way an asset is made available to private practitioners whose livelihood is largely through the practice of their profession, and at least in a measure related to the degree to which they profit by opportunity to improve the service they render.

The donors, the institutions, the investigators and the clinicians who have contributed so generously in the cooperative effort which has found expression in these pages have done so in the interest of improving Medical and Dental service to mankind. This service is performed through the medium of the practitioners who represent a link in the chain from laboratory to patient. It is not too much to expect that in utilizing the material in the rendering of services for which remuneration is received the orthodontist keep paramount the motivating factor of clinical research—the welfare of the patient.

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The Index of the Angle Orthodontist

The index of the current volume of *The Angle Orthodontist* is contained in this issue. It will be noted that abstracts and book reviews are included as well as presentations appearing in the table of contents. The material is indexed by author, as well as by subject.

The purpose of this extended index is to provide a relatively complete source of reference for current literature of interest to the orthodontist. As the present plan for abstracting orthodontic literature develops the files of *The Angle Orthodontist* will increase these facilities. At the present time the following dental Journals are being abstracted:

British Dental Journal
Dental Items of Interest
Deutsche Zahn-Mund und Zieferheilkunde
Journal of the American Dental Association
and Dental Cosmos
Journal of Canadian Dental Association
Journal of Dental Research
International Journal of Orthodontia and Oral Surgery
L'Orthodontie Francaise
Le Journal Dentaire Belge

In addition, through the courtesy of the *American Journal of Diseases of Children* of the American Medical Association and the Child Development Abstracts and Bibliography of the Society of Research in Child Development, articles and abstracts of orthodontic interest from the following Journals of medical and social sciences are abstracted:

American Journal of Diseases of Children
American Journal of Physical Anthropology
The American Journal of Sociology
Archives of Neurology and Psychiatry
Biological Abstracts
Chemical Abstracts
Educational Abstracts
Endocrinology
The Journal of The American Medical Association
The Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery
Journal of Educational Research
The Journal of Educational Sociology
Journal of Home Economics

The Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease
Mental Hygiene
Nutrition Abstracts and Reviews
Physiological Abstracts
Psychological Abstracts
Sociology and Social Research
The Wistar Institute Bibliographic Service

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