

BOOK REVIEW

A Guide to the Literature of Photography and Related Subjects. Compiled by Albert Boni, Quarterly Supplement No. 18 for the Photo-Lab-Index, by Henry M. Lester, *Morgan & Lester*, New York, 94 pp. 8 × 5½ in.

A compilation of titles of books on photography and articles in photographic publications.

Although the introduction to the book states "This guide makes no claim to being a complete index," the usefulness of any such compilation is greatly minimized if it is not reasonably complete.

Among the general references to subjects such as cinematography, the outstanding foreign language journals, such as *Kinotechnik* and *Journal of the British Kinematograph Society*, are omitted.

Like many authors of photographic books and articles, the author of this work has failed to give adequate references to the many articles on practical and theoretical photography contained in the *Transactions* and *JOURNAL* of the Society of Motion Picture Engineers.

In many cases reference is made to the SMPE Index, while in other cases reference is made to the particular SMPE article, but it would seem logical either to refer exclusively to the SMPE Index (for articles prior to December 1935), or to refer to the specific SMPE articles in all cases. A brief abstract is given of some of the references but this emphasis should not be taken as an index of the relative importance of the articles in question.

It would seem advisable in future editions to omit the abstracts and utilize the space for more complete references. The following subjects would appear to be worthy of mention: Aeration of Developers, Agitation, Chrome Alum Fixing and Stop Baths, Fog, High Temperature Development, Rapid Processing, Replenishment of Developers, Resistivity of Construction Materials, Single Solution Dye Toning, Stains, Water Supply.

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CURRENT LITERATURE OF INTEREST TO THE MOTION PICTURE ENGINEER

The editors present for convenient reference a list of articles dealing with subjects cognate to motion picture engineering published in a number of selected journals. Photostatic or microfilm copies of articles in magazines that are available may be obtained from The Library of Congress, Washington, D. C., or from the New York Public Library, New York, N. Y., at prevailing rates.