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Book Review

ADHESIVE TECHNOLOGY—Developments Since 1977, S. Torrey, Editor. Noyes Data Corporation, Park Ridge, NJ, U.S.A., 1980. 500 + xii pp. (\$54.00, clothbound).

This volume is perhaps best described by a part of the introductory paragraph of the Foreword:

This book is a data-based publication, providing information retrieved and made available from the U.S. patent literature. It thus serves a double purpose in that it supplies detailed technical information and can be used as a guide to the patent literature in this field. By indicating all the information that is significant, and eliminating legal jargon and juristic phraseology, this book presents an advanced, commercially oriented review of adhesive technology based on about 280 U.S. patents issued since January 1978. . . .

The major “chapter” headings are: Hot Melt Adhesives; Pressure Sensitive Adhesives; Adhesives for Rubber; Wood, Corrugated Board and Paper Adhesives; Adhesives for Textiles and Plastics; Metal Adhesives; Adhesives for Construction Materials; Glass and All-Purpose Adhesives; Adhesives for Medical and Dental Uses; Adhesives for Electrical and Photographic Uses; Specialty Applications.

As was its predecessor, *Adhesives Technology Annual*, this volume is an ordered compilation of the U.S. Patent literature falling under the “chapter” headings given above. A useful feature is that the patents have been rewritten in easy-to-understand technical (rather than legal) language—a relief to those of us who are not patent lawyers but who, from time to time, have to read the patent literature!

Company, inventor and patent number indexes are provided. The table of contents is organized so as to serve as a subject index.

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