COMPUTER INDUSTRY ANNUAL 1971—1972

Storm, Printing Corp., Dallas, Texas

The annual is meant to provide information on the products and services offered by the computer companies in the U.S.A to all those working in this field.

The introductory part presents information on the place occupied by the computer industry in the United States economy, at present, on the character of this industry and on the place held by the United States on the market of numerical computers.

The annual makes an analysis of the sectors of economy which are using or will use in the future the services of the data processing electronic systems.

After investigating the trends of development of the computer industry (hardware and software) in the next 5—10 years and the evolution of the prices of products and services delivered by computers, the annual examines the comparative characterics of the computing equipment.

The hardware and software of the systems for data electronic processing existing in the United States, at present (the most representative ones) are presented in nearly 300 pages, underlining those characteristics which may constitute essential elements in achieving the methods for the selection and estimation of the equipment which best meets the user's necessities.

It is worth mentioning that the lists of characteristics do not include the equipment produced by very big firms, such as I.B.M., UNIVAC, R.C.A., BURROUGH, CONTROL DATA; in exchange, wherever the case may be, the types of equipment compatible with those turned out by the above-mentioned firms are mentioned. The sales prices (or the hiring prices where the case may be) as well as the year in which the first product of the respective type was delivered are also mentioned.

A special chapter presents the computing systems in time-sharing which are functioning in various fields of activity in the United States of America.

The last part of the annual presents an alphabetic list of the products and services on categories of products and services and a list of the producing firms.

The anual is a valuable means of information on the latest novelties on the electronic computing equipment and a help in taking decisions on equipment acquisition.