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An alphabetical index of 22,000 townships and similar entities, p. 575-722, warrants the inclusion of this atlas. Arranged by states, 23 in number, individual county maps show the townships and are followed by a list of incorporated and unincorporated places of 1,000 population or more, based on the 1970 census materials. The states included are Arkansas, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Vermont and Wisconsin.

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