



*"Eheu, fugaces
labuntur anni!"*

Today, at Dicalite, we would translate that, very broadly indeed, "Good Heavens! Twenty-five years gone by so soon!" For, as we look back to 1930 and our beginnings, we feel a double sense of wonder... first, that a quarter-century has sped so fast, and then, that we (and diatomite) have come so far in so short a time.

As you know, Dicalite is both our Division name and the family name of a whole host of materials processed from diatomite. This unique material, once regarded as almost an oddity, used occasionally as 'chalk-rock' building stone or in fire-lighters, today serves important uses in more than 200 industries.

This great expansion is due, in no small part, to the warm cooperation of the industries which we serve. Their laboratories have worked with ours, their product engineers and ours have together pioneered new developments, new uses, for this versatile earth.

Hence, we would like to make this, our 25th milestone, an expression of thanks to the many industries throughout the world whose ready acceptance and continued use of Dicalite have made possible our growth. Their support has enabled us to advance from 1930's one deposit, one plant, to our present four deposits and four processing plants. Our obligation is cheerfully assumed and Dicalite will contribute even more greatly to industry's progress during our next quarter-century.

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DIATOMACEOUS MATERIALS

P.S. The cryptic headline is from the Roman poet Horace (Odes II, xiv. 1). Its literal translation is "Alas, the fleeting years glide by," but we cannot echo the poet's expression of regret.

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Announce Fatty Acid Award Committee and Judges

IN RESPONSE to a request by the Fatty Acid Division of the Association of American Soap and Glycerine Producers Inc., New York, the American Oil Chemists' Society through the president, C. E. Morris, has established a Fatty Acid Award Committee, and the committee has appointed three judges for the annual competition.

M. L. Sheely, Armour and Company, Chicago, is chairman of the committee, and serving with him are S. T. Bauer, Crosby Chemicals Inc., De Ridder, La., and D. H. Wheeler, General Mills Inc., Minneapolis. Judges are R. T. Milner, University of Illinois, Urbana, J. C. Cowan, Northern Utilization Research Branch, U.S.D.A., Peoria, Ill., and A. R. Baldwin, Cargill Inc., Minneapolis.

The award will be known as the Fatty Acid Producers' Award of the A.A.S.G.P., and manuscripts with Official Entry Form are to be submitted by September 1, 1955, to the American Oil Chemists' Society, 35 E. Wacker drive, Chicago 1, Ill. They will be judged on an anonymous basis. The winner will be given \$500.

Eligibility rules indicate that the award is to be given for work done in an educational institution in the United States or Canada while the individual is a candidate for a degree (bachelor, master, doctor) or on the staff of an institution within one year after receipt of such a degree. Submission of a paper or thesis may take place within one year after the author is graduated. A research team associated on the same project and meeting these requirements is also eligible.

Objectives of the A.A.S.G.P. are to stimulate greater interest at educational institutions in studies concerned with the properties and utilization of fatty acids and their derivatives. Scientific and educational values are of first concern. Contributions to knowledge, showing ingenuity and thoroughness, are sought, regardless of commercial value. The Association desires to encourage work having some relationship to pure or technical fatty acids rather than physiological or biochemical studies of glycerides.

Judges are to be a professor, a non-profit research laboratory man, and an industrial research director.

Announcement of the 1955 winner will be made at the Philadelphia meeting of the Society in October, and the 1956 mss. competition will also be announced.

New Literature

A new glycol-splitting agent, silver-catalyzed persulfate, is described in Bulletin No. 63 published by Becco Chemical Division, Food Machinery and Chemical Corporation, Buffalo, N. Y.

Catalog 5002 is a new listing of industrial instruments and equipment offered by Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

Schaar and Company, Chicago, Ill., offers a new 16-page issue of Laboratory, describing Schaar instruments and apparatus.

Bulletin 5A-13, issued by The Foxboro Company, Foxboro, Mass., describes a new model of the company's pneumatic indicating controller.

The winter edition of Instrument News, published by Perkin-Elmer Corporation, Norwalk, Conn., includes data on a new flame photometer.