

Gerhard Maerker Heads Animal Fat Products Lab, W.M. Linfield Heads Detergents Investigations for USDA



G. Maerker



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Two chemists noted for their research on fats and fatty acids and detergents, GERHARD MAERKER ('60) and W.M. LINFIELD ('56), have been named to important posts at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Eastern Marketing and Nutrition Research Division in the Philadelphia suburb of Wyndmoor, Pa. Dr. Maerker is now chief of the Animal Fat Products Laboratory and Dr. Linfield heads detergents investigations in that laboratory.

Dr. Maerker is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. While at Temple, he worked as a research chemist with Allied Chemical Corporation, and joined the staff of the USDA laboratory the year after he received his doctorate. Dr. Maerker was named to head lubricants investigations in the Animal Fat Products Laboratory in 1965, and last year was made acting chief of the laboratory.

W.M. Linfield has just come to the USDA Laboratory from IIT Research Institute in Chicago, where he was manager of organic chemistry research for almost six years. He graduated from George Washington University in 1940 and received his M.S. degree in organic chemistry from the University of Michigan the following year. He was awarded the American Institute of Chemists student medal and the Willie E. Fitch prize in chemistry. Dr. Linfield worked for his Ph.D. at Michigan on a Parke, Davis & Co. fellowship, and received the degree in 1943. He did post-doctoral research on cancer at Northwestern University under an Anna Fuller Fund fellowship in 1944. Since receiving his doctorate, Dr. Linfield's research interests have shifted from drugs and pharmaceuticals to industrial products. He has specialized in the synthesis of surface-active agents, textile finishes, soaps, toiletries and cosmetics, textile polymers, industrial cleaners and sanitizing agents, emulsions, corrosion inhibitors, foaming and defoaming agents, and food canning and freeze-drying. He is the author of over 30 patents and publications. In addition to his work for IIT Research Institute, Dr. Linfield served as a research chemist for the Emulsol Corporation, Chicago; as a supervisor of research on organic synthesis for E.F. Houghton & Co., Philadelphia; as a group leader in surfactant research for Quaker Chemical Products Co., Chicago; as director of research for Armour Grocery Products Co., Chicago; and as vice-president and director of research for Culver Chemical Co. Division of Alberto-Culver Co., Melrose Park, Ill.

• Obituaries

HENRY O'DEEN, retired president of H. O'Deen, Inc., and life member of the AOCS, died July 1, 1971.

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