

NEW BOOKS

J. F. Gerecht, Book Review Editor

Problems and Their Solution in Organic Chemistry, I.L. Finar (Longman, New York, N.Y., 1973, 359 p., \$7.00)

This is among the best problem books in organic chemistry. The problems are taken from the author's *Textbook of Organic Chemistry*, Vol. I, but it is not essential to have the text to utilize this book. However, if the problems are to be used as a review of organic chemistry, it would be advisable to have a modern organic text available.

The 415 problems follow the classical functional group arrangement of the subject. Only 61 pages are devoted to them but almost 300 pages are devoted to discussions of their solutions. Wherever it serves a useful purpose, alternative solutions to the same problem are given, and the merits of each solution are discussed. Furthermore, in each of the 31 chapters, problems of the same type are grouped together in the "Table of Contents." For example, the chapter on alicyclic chemistry lists problems under the following types: calculations, equations, mechanisms, physical methods, stereochemistry, structure determination, and synthesis.

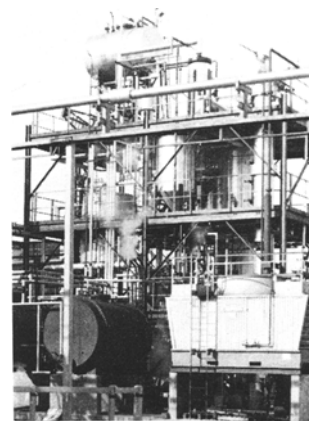
Finally, it should be noted that, although this is an excellent book of its kind, it does carry a high price tag, \$7.00 for a paperback book.

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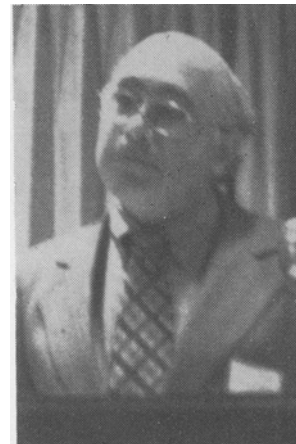


Those attending the special Ladies' Night Meeting included, front row, left to right, Mr. and Mrs. Turiddu Pelloso and Mr. and Mrs. L. Brickman; and back row, left to right, S. Dominik and Mr. and Mrs. J. Marcus.



Dinner at the Ladies' Night Meeting of the AOCS Northeast Section.

Maso addresses Northeast Section meeting



Henry Maso

"Opportunities for Fats and Oils in Cosmetics" was the title of the speech by Henry F. Maso, vice president, technical services and marketing, Amerchol, CPC International, Inc., at the AOCS Northeast Section's Ladies Night.

Maso discussed fats and oils in terms of various aspects of their composition which relate to their utility. Cosmetic vehicles and their performing requirements were reviewed in addition to the marketing opportunities for oily substances in these vehicles. He focused on the most popular types of cosmetics in his address.

Gifts of hair spray provided by Hoffman-La Roche and cologne by Faberge were given to members and guests.

A.M. Rossetto, Jr., L.A. Salomon & Bro., Inc., was chairman of the meeting. ■