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## Banquet

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Festive mood at Table 88 was repeated at the more than 100 tables used during annual banquet.

The delay in entering the Khorassan Room for the banquet Wednesday evening was because some table numbers had been incorrectly placed. When everything was straightened out, approximately 900 persons filed in. Then came the shock that about a half dozen table numbers were completely missing. General Chairman Robert Burton and hotel staff members did some shifting to find seats for all the displaced diners. ●



Sharing banquet table were, (from left) Robert Singer of The Soap and Detergent Association, Francine and Kurt Gehri, and Dorothy and Harold Nicholas. Dr. Gehri was local chairman for the World Conference on Soaps and Detergents; Dr. Nicholas was technical program cochairman for the St. Louis meeting.

It's been a good year for Hormel Institute members in the AOCS. In February, Orville Privett received the North Central Section's Bailey Award. Then Ralph Holman, Hormel Institute director, was named as the 1978 Award in Lipid Chemistry recipient. During the St. Louis meeting, the first exhibit area door prize, a color television set, was won by Don Sand, another Hormel staffer. The string ended the next day when Will Duensing of Johns-Mansville won the exhibit door prize of a set of golf clubs. Duensing showed up in the exhibit area on Wednesday morning saying he had dreamed he won, then discovered he had. The final exhibit area door prize, a stereo set, was won by Mrs. Lowell Nutter of Elysian, MN. ●



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hahn, seated, greet friends during banquet.

Dr. Subramania Ramachandran, group vice president for Applied Science, presented the \$2,500 honorarium portion of the Award in Lipid Chemistry to Dr. Holman. The presentation was made during the banquet Wednesday evening, with Dr. Ramachandran noting that Applied Science members run their own poll each year to try to predict the winner and have been predicting Dr. Holman for the past five years. Then he drew upon his ethnic background to say he knew of no better way to describe Dr. Holman than as the "guru of lipid research." ●

After Dr. Ralph Holman received his Award in Lipid Chemistry Plaque and \$2,500 honorarium at the Wednesday banquet, he returned to his table where his wife, Karla, and several friends were seated. Dr. Holman handed the plaque to Karla and said, "Here, you can have that part." ●



Ralph Holman, right, accepts Award in Lipid Chemistry \$2,500 honorarium check from Applied Science's S. Ramachandran as President Tom Applewhite watches.



**St. Louis General Chairman Robert Burton spoke briefly at banquet.**



**Mr. and Mrs. Jim Falco enjoyed the upbeat tempos.**

John Witt of the Praxis organization had a special interest in listening to the Tex Beneke orchestra at the banquet. Beneke was part of the Glenn Miller organization. Witt was a high school classmate of Jimmy Henderson, noted trombonist who, for a while, fronted the Glenn Miller orchestra after Miller's death in a World War II plane crash. Witt, who played with several musical groups during his younger days, had a chance to talk with Beneke about the big band sound. ●



**Comedian Dink Freeman entertained for an hour with dialect stories.**



**Tex Beneke's orchestra provided music for banquet.**



**Joyce Beare-Rogers and Vig Babayan dance to music of Tex Beneke.**



**Tex Beneke's orchestra kept dance floor crowded throughout the evening.**