

William H. Tallent has been named director at the US Department of Agriculture's Northern Regional Research Laboratory, Peoria, IL, an agency of USDA's Agricultural Research Service.

From 1969 to 1974, Dr. Tallent served as chief of the industrial crops research being conducted to find new crops for American agriculture that are good sources of useful vegetable oils, proteins, fibers, and other plant constituents having value as manufacturing raw materials. He has been assistant director of the Northern Laboratory since May 1974 and acting director since January 1, 1975, when former director R.J. Dimler retired.

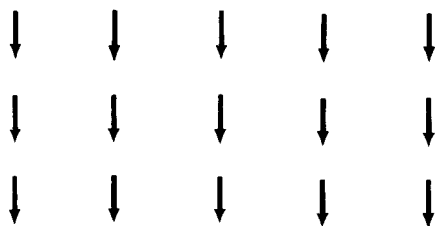
A chemistry major at the University of Tennessee, Dr. Tallent received a BS degree there in 1949 and an MS in organic chemistry in 1950. He earned a doctorate in biochemistry at the University of Illinois in 1953. Before coming to Peoria in 1964, he worked at the National Heart Institute and G.D. Searle and Co., a pharmaceutical firm in Skokie, IL.

In 1970, Dr. Tallent was president of the Peoria section of the American Chemical Society. He is chairman of the Governing Council of the Society of Economic Botany, an associate editor for *JAOCS*, and also serves as alternate US delegate to the FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius Committee on Fats and Oils, which has responsibility for setting standards for international trade in these agricultural commodities. In addition, Dr. Tallent is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; of Phi Lambda Upsilon, honorary fraternity for chemists; of Sigma Xi, honorary scientific fraternity; and of Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemists' fraternity.

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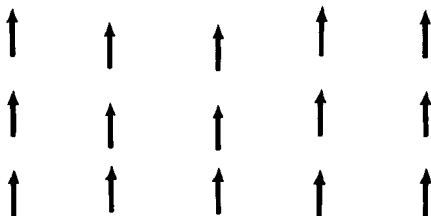


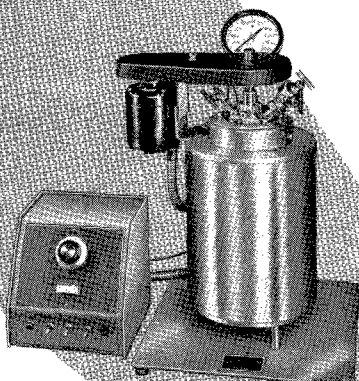
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