

PROFESSOR LÁSZLÓ TELEGDY KOVÁTS 80 YEARS OLD

László Telegdy Kováts, D. Sc., Professor emeritus at the Department of Food Chemistry, Technical University of Budapest, has completed his 80th year on December 5, 1982. He joined this University in 1920 as student in Chemical Engineering, and — although engaged for shorter or longer periods in various Hungarian and foreign research institutes and industrial directing organizations — he never stopped being active for the past 60 years in teaching and educating the young generations of chemical engineers and in the development of chemical engineering science.

In 1952, he was Deputy Dean, in 1953—55 and in 1957, Dean of the Faculty of Chemical Engineering.

László Telegdy Kováts has always been deeply attached to teaching. He proudly claims that all members of the young chemical engineer generation in Hungarian food industry and research were his pupils. He also did much to enable engineers working in the industry to keep up with progress. The conferences on food chemistry organized yearly on his initiative have been important contributions.

Modern concepts as well as preserved tradition characterize the objectives and directions of László Telegdy Kováts's scientific research.

The research work of Professor Telegdy Kováts on food quality, chemical composition of foods, nonenzymic browning and packaging is of great theoretical and practical importance.

In acknowledgement of his scientific results, he was elected to held functions in numerous Hungarian and international scientific societies and associations.

The scientific, educational, social and political activities of Professor Telegdy Kováts are highly estimated by the leading bodies of the Hungarian State. This appreciation is reflected in the numerous decorations and honours conferred on him in the course of his almost sixty-year career.

The wide circle of his co-workers, pupils and friends cordially congratulate Professor László Telegdy Kováts on his eightieth birthday and wish him good health and creative work for many years on.

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