



Meritorious Service  
Award Presented  
to  
**PHILLIP B. SMITH**

Phillip B. Smith was born in El Paso, Texas, on July 6, 1903. He attended grade schools in Texas, West Virginia and Colorado, graduating from high school at Springfield, Ohio. At Ohio State University he majored in animal husbandry and specialized in both soil chemistry and agricultural engineering, graduating in 1924. Mr. Smith joined the staff of The Great Western Sugar Company at Fort Morgan, Colorado, on September 15, 1924. He was later transferred to Brush for a short period and returned to Fort Morgan as fieldman. In 1938 he was promoted to manager at Lovell, Wyoming, and in 1942, was transferred to Greeley, Colorado, where he served as manager of the Eaton and Greeley factory districts. In 1945, he was selected by the beet sugar industry to be manager of the newly-formed Beet Sugar Development Foundation. In 1950, Mr. Smith returned to The Great Western Sugar Company in Denver to assume the newly-created position of general agriculturist. In 1961, he was given the new title of director-agricultural development. During the past two decades, he has probably been the most traveled person of the beet sugar industry and is internationally known for his speaking knowledge of sugar beet culture. Mr. Smith has been a member of the American Society of Sugar Beet Technologists since its beginning. He served as president of the Society for the 1954-55 biennium. He has been elected to the Society's advisory council twice, has served on its nominating committee three times, has been editor of the proceedings, chairman of the editorial committee, served several times on the publications committee, has been on the local arrangements committee, has been leader of the sugar beet machinery section and chairman of the agronomy section.



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**HARVEY P. H. JOHNSON**

Harvey P. H. Johnson was born in Hawley, Minnesota, where he spent his boyhood days on his father's farm. He attended Northwest School of Agriculture at Crookston, Minnesota, and Concordia College at Moorhead, Minnesota, from which he graduated with a major in economics. Following graduation, he taught in high school at Stanton, North Dakota, and became an instructor in the Moorhead, Minnesota Public Schools. While at Moorhead, he attended night classes at North Dakota State University at Fargo, North Dakota, and later attended the University where in 1939 he earned a master of science degree in agricultural economics. For a year and a half he was employed with the Federal Land Bank at the National Farm Loan Association office in Long Prairie, Minnesota. He had the dubious honor of being the first person drafted into the armed service from Todd County and spent five years in the service from which he was separated with the rank of Captain. In 1946, he was employed by the Beet Sugar Development Foundation at Fort Collins, Colorado, as statistician-agronomist. In 1950, he was appointed manager of the Foundation and later that year moved to Denver to accept the position of assistant general agriculturist with the American Crystal Sugar Company. In 1953, he became general agriculturist and was elected vice president of his company in 1960. Mr. Johnson has been a member of the Society since 1946, was its secretary-treasurer in 1948-49, and president in 1958-59. He has twice served on the constitution and bylaws committee, the nominating committee and the advisory council. He has served on the resolutions committee, awards committee, local arrangements committee and served as general program chairman for the Society's Eighth General Meeting.



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**BION TOLMAN**

Bion Tolman was born at Murtaugh, Idaho, in 1907. He graduated from Twin Falls, Idaho High School in 1925 and attended Utah State University from 1925 to 1927. Two years were spent on a mission for his church, after which, he returned to Utah State University, graduating in 1932 with a B.S. degree in agriculture and earning a master's degree in plant breeding in 1933. He started with the Utah State Department of Agriculture in plant quarantine enforcement and later joined the Utah State University Extension Service as county agricultural agent. The next year he earned an appointment with the Division of Sugar Plant Investigations of the USDA where he worked for the next nine years. His work under Dr. F. V. Owen at the Salt Lake Station included sugar beet improvement studies and agronomic experiments on sugar beet seed production in southern Utah and the Willamette Valley of Oregon. In 1945, he was employed by the Utah-Idaho Sugar Company and was charged with the responsibilities of setting up and directing an agricultural research program. In 1948, he was promoted to general agricultural superintendent and director of agricultural research. In 1959, he became vice president in charge of agricultural operations including the agricultural research department.

Mr. Tolman has been a member of the American Society of Sugar Beet Technologists since its beginning, was elected vice president for two bienniums, has been elected to the advisory council for four bienniums, served two terms on the committee on standardization of experimental methods, and was appointed general program chairman for the Sixth General Meeting.



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**HEWITT M. TYSDAL**

Dr. H. M. Tysdal experienced his first contacts with sugar beets while enjoying the honor of being a Spragg Memorial Lecturer in 1942 at Michigan State University. The alfalfa research in which he was engaged expanded to western Nebraska where he became interested in the use of alfalfa with sugar beets in rotation. In 1948, he became directly associated with sugar beet research as head of the U. S. Agricultural Research Station at Salinas, California. In 1954, he became chief of the Sugar Plant Section, USDA, whereupon, it became his responsibility to develop an effective working relationship with industry and growers. His primary objective as head of the USDA program was to hold and recruit the very best men for sugar beet research. Dr. Tysdal continues to be proud of the dedicated group of outstanding research people who worked under his direction while he was chief of the branch. While Dr. Tysdal's personal fame came from research in alfalfa, he does not hesitate to acknowledge the outstanding research of the sugar beet workers of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. It was quite rewarding to Dr. Tysdal to see the completion of a fine new research laboratory and greenhouses at Utah State University which he envisioned as a stimulation to sugar beet research and an aid to the solution of the multitude of problems affecting improved production. He retired from Government service in 1961.

Dr. Tysdal became a member of the American Society of Sugar Beet Technologists in 1954. During his membership he was elected to the advisory council for two terms. He has been pleased with the prominence that each member of his staff has gained in the Society and has been foremost in projecting the objectives of the Society.

## *Forty Year Veteran Awards*

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The Amalgamated Sugar Company

JOSEPH H. BINGHAM, The Amalgamated Sugar Company

ALBERT L. COOPER, Holly Sugar Corporation

IRA D. CROGHAN, Holly Sugar Corporation

W. S. HALLAM, Holly Sugar Corporation

E. CLARK JONES, Utah-Idaho Sugar Company

ARTHUR C. JOOST, Northern Ohio Sugar Company

CHARLES A. LAVIS, Holly Sugar Corporation

LOUIS F. OSWALD, Utah-Idaho Sugar Company

CHARLES PRICE, U. S. Department of Agriculture

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JAMES W. SILVER, Ogden Iron Works Company

E. L. TEWES, Holly Sugar Corporation

GERALD THORNE, University of Wisconsin

J. E. TRINNAMAN, Utah-Idaho Sugar Company

W. D. WARNER, Utah-Idaho Sugar Company

## *In Memoriam*

- J. D. ALGIER, Hardin, Montana  
QUINDARO S. BALL, Solana Beach, California  
HENRY W. DAHLBERG, Denver, Colorado  
J. DEDEK, Tirlemont, Belgium  
EDWARD ELION, Washington, D. C.  
H. J. KLINGE, Preston, Idaho  
E. C. KUNDINGER, Sebewaing, Michigan  
T. H. LACY, Santa Ana, California  
WILLIAM J. MCGREGOR, Chatham, Ontario, Canada  
CHASE OFTEDAL, Missoula, Montana  
E. G. UTLEY, Spreckels, California  
H. E. ZEIKOWSKI, Denver, Colorado