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### PRESIDENT OF THE TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE FOR 1975



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Albert Leroy Myers was born on December 18, 1915 near Church Hill, Tennessee. He received his early education in Nashville and Jefferson City, Tennessee. He was graduated from Carson-Newman College with a B.S. degree in 1937. He received the M.S. degree at the University of Georgia in 1939. He studied at Purdue University from 1939 until 1941, returning to complete the Ph.D. in physical chemistry during the year 1949-50. His doctoral dissertation was in the determination of dipole moments of selected organic compounds.

From 1941 until 1943 he was employed in a supervisory capacity by Trojan Powder Company in Allentown, Pennsylvania and Saudusky, Ohio in the manufacture of military high explosives, especially TNT. From 1943 until 1946 he was employed by Clinton Engineer Works—Tennessee Eastman Com-

pany in a supervisory capacity in the electromagnetic separation process for uranium-235 and later in radiological safety hazards. From 1946 until 1949 he taught chemistry at Graceland Baptist College in Arkansas. From 1950 until 1954 he taught chemistry at Furman University, serving as Acting Chairman of the Chemistry Department for two years of that period. From 1954 until 1962 and since 1967 he has been at Carson-Newman College where he is Professor and Coordinator of the Chemistry Department. He was Professor of Chemistry and Chairman of the Division of Science and Mathematics at Houston Baptist College from 1963 until 1967. He has continued his research on dipole moments. In addition, he was a Research Participant and Research Chemist, Chemical Technology Division, Oak Ridge National Laboratory during the summers 1959-62 working on a study of vapor pressure of solutions. He was engaged in research on the polarized infra-red spectra of polyethylene at Research and Development Laboratory, Humble Oil Company, Baytown, Texas during the summer of 1964. During the summers of 1965-67 he did research on the development of an analytical method for glutamic and alpha-ketoglutaric acids at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, and at Baylor University College of Medicine, Houston. He has engaged in additional study in Summer Institutes and Short Courses at the University of Wyoming, Georgia Institute of Technology, Northwestern Louisiana State University, University of Texas, University of Tennessee, and Oak Ridge Associated Universities (Special Training Division).

He is a life member and Fellow of the Academy. He has served for two years as Chairman of the Chemistry Section, seven years as Sponsor of the Collegiate Division, and as a member of the Executive Committee. He is a member of the American Chemical Society and has been Chairman of two Local Sections (Western Carolinas and East Tennessee) and a Councilor. He is a Fellow of the American Institute of Chemists and is serving as Secretary of the Tennessee Institute of Chemists. He is also a member of Sigma Xi, AAAS, Phi Lambda Upsilon, American Association of University Professors, Scientists and Engineers for Appalachia, and the Texas Academy of Science. He is listed in American Men of Sciences, and Outstanding Educators of America.

He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Community College Council (Presi-