IN MEMORIAM

HENRY RUDOLF HENZE

Professor Henry Rudolf Henze died Saturday morning, September 21, 1974, in an Austin hospital. He had been ill since suffering a heart attack on June 19 in Churchill, Canada, while on a bird-watching tour. He was survived by his wife, Elizabeth Sledge whom he married in 1933, one son, Henry R. Henze, Jr., of Austin, and a granddaughter, Pamela Henze Forrest, and a grandson, Han Henze, both of San Antonio.

Professor Henze was born January 11, 1896 in New Haven, Connecticut. He graduated from high school at the age of 15, and because of the death of his father, he had to begin working immediately. He worked as an assistant in the Carnegie Nutrition Laboratory of the Connecticut Experiment Station in New Haven where his association with Dr. T.B. Osborne and Professor L.B. Mendel greatly influenced his subsequent career. After four years, he resumed his studies receiving the Ph.B. degree in 1918 and the Ph.D. degree in 1921 from Yale University. During this period, he was a Junior Chemist at the U.S. Bureau of Mines and Chemical Warfare Service and held the National Aniline and Chemical Company Fellowship while at Yale University. His association with the University of Texas began in 1922 when he was appointed an Adjunct Professor of Chemistry of the College of Pharmacy at Galveston; he served from 1924 to 1927 as Professor and Head of the Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry. With the relocation of the College of Pharmacy to Austin, he continued not only as a Professor of Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the University of Texas at Austin but also as Lecturer in Pharmacology and Toxicology at the University of Texas.