

## **EECKHAUT Zoël**

Born: December 14, 1909 (Balegem)

Died: 2001

After his secondary studies at the St.Lievens College in Ghent, he graduates as a chemical engineer in 1933 and obtains a doctorate in Applied Sciences in 1940.

His job as research assistant at the Laboratory of Toxicology is the onset of a career essentially devoted to analytical chemistry. In 1935 he becomes research assistant at the Laboratory of Analytical Chemistry and in 1941 lecturer. To lighten his schedule professor Gillis requests Eeckhaut to take over a number of his classes. This starts with the lectures of analytical chemistry of the curriculum of the master degree of chemistry and future chemical engineers.

When professor Goubau becomes emeritus, Eeckhaut asks to be discharged of his assignment of the lectures in analytical chemistry to take over Goubau's course of general chemistry in the curriculum of bachelors. From 1959 on Eeckhaut is entrusted with lecturing general chemistry to all the bachelor students with a curriculum of chemistry, to some groups of future chemical engineers, and students of physics.

Having published some studies about reaction rates, chemical and acid-base equilibria and ion exchange in colloids, his main objects are analytical chemistry, analytical reagents, spectrophotometry, redox potentials, polarography and nuclear chemistry.