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REMI VAN HAELST is an industrial chemist employed at Petrochim, a big petro-chemical plant in Antwerp, Belgium. Mr. Van Haelst was vacationing on the French Riviera and saw, at Menton, a television documentary on the Shroud; his interest in the relic was immediately aroused and his book *Het Gelaat van Kristus*, published early this year (see *Spectrum* 19, p.39) is a tribute to his constancy. The book is a compilation of articles which Van Haelst wrote for Petrochim's house-journal. He has written freelance on travel, sports, history, social and technical subjects, and has published in *Hydrocarbon Processing* (Houston TX), *Gazet von Antwerpen*, and Rex Morgan's well-known *Shroud News*.

EDWARD J. INSINGER is a freelance writer whose interest in the Shroud of Turin stems from his viewing of the film "In Search of the Historic Jesus", in 1979. Since that time, in his extensive reading on the subject of the Shroud, he has been particularly fascinated by the parallels of science and religion relating to this Image of Jesus. He is a Senior Ecclesiastic DX'er, and in 1983, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the foundation of Radio Vaticana, he was awarded a parchment from the Vatican's Technical Direction testifying that he was an Official Technical Monitor. Born and raised in Summit, New Jersey, he graduated from Newark State College and Montclair State College, being awarded a Master's Degree in Industrial Studies in 1973.