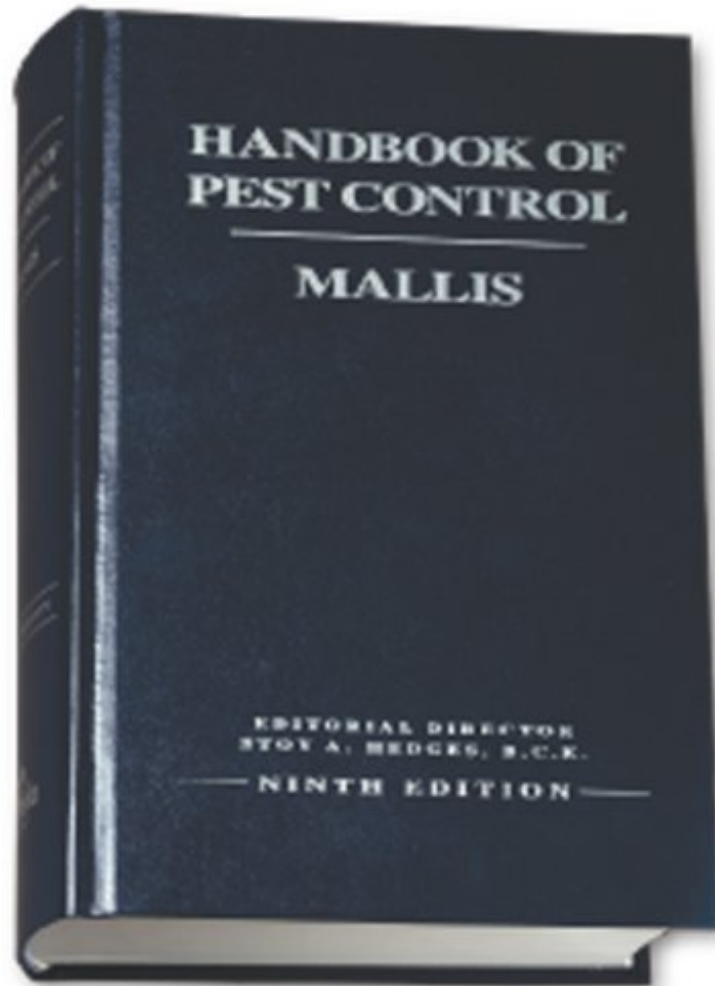



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About the Author Arnold Mallis was one of the true "giants" of the pest control industry. Born in New York City in 1910, Mallis moved to California in his teens where an art teacher taught him the craft of cartooning. Shortly thereafter, he began his career in the pest control industry, contributing cartoons to several industry trade magazines. Eventually, Mallis entered the University of California, Berkeley, where he received his bachelor's degree in entomology in 1934. Upon graduating from college, he joined the U.S. Forest Service, working as a field assistant. In between employment opportunities he obtained his master's degree in entomology from the University of California in 1939, while simultaneously working as a service technician for several pest control companies. Between 1939-1942 Mallis worked as an entomologist for the building grounds department of UCLA, further honing his pest control skills. In 1943, Mallis joined the U.S. Public Health Service, implementing malaria control programs in Louisiana. It was during his early part of his career that Mallis wrote the first edition of the Handbook of Pest Control. It was published in 1945, followed by updated editions in 1954, 1960, 1964, 1969, 1982, 1990 and 1997. In addition to the Handbook of Pest Control, Mallis was author of American Entomologists and more than 20 technical articles in leading industry journals. Following publication of the Handbook of Pest Control, Mallis joined the Gulf Oil Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., where he spent two decades developing insecticides for household and livestock pests. After leaving Gulf Oil in 1968, Mallis joined the entomology department at Pennsylvania State University, where he was employed as an associate professor. He retired from academia in 1975. Arnold Mallis passed away in 1984. He is remembered as a true industry legend whose groundbreaking work, the Handbook of Pest Control, has become the standard reference book for the pest management industry.