

inspector who is concerned with controlling the quality in a piece-parts manufacturing operation. The direct value to chemists and those in related fields is somewhat limited because of the lack of coverage of such items as experimental design, and some of the more commonly used methods of analyzing experimental data.

For example, the book contains nothing concerning use of chi-square or correlation and regression, both of which might be quite valuable to a chemist or other biological research worker who is also engaged in quality control work. However, despite these limitations, the book has much of value and for the uninitiated chemist or research worker it offers a clear, understandable presentation of statistical quality control techniques.

Food Products and Processes

Office of Technical Services, U. S. Department of Commerce, Washington 25, D. C. \$1.00.

This publication contains a listing and abstracts of government owned inventions applicable to the food industry.

The listings are classified as to industrial listing in thirteen groups: meat products; dairy products; fruit and vegetable products; grain products; sugar; confectionary products; beverages; leavening compounds; fats and oils; starches; flavoring extracts and fruit juices; pectin derivatives; food product machinery and apparatus.

The government owned patents covered in the book are ordinarily available to the public on a royalty free license basis.

Quality and Stability of Canned Meats

Edited by ROBERT G. TISCHER, JAMES M. BLAIR, AND MARTIN S. PETERSON. A symposium sponsored by the Quartermaster Food and Container Institute for the Armed Forces, Quartermaster Food and Container Institute, 1819 West Pershing Road, Chicago 9, Ill.

The symposium discussed in this publication was set up to obtain information which would be of value in improving the quality of canned meats processed for the armed forces. Scientists from government, industry, and universities participated in the exchange of information covering the technical aspects of canning as well as practical discussions on manufacturing techniques.

Copies of the proceedings are available without charge to those who are concerned with the problems of stability of canned meats.

ASSOCIATIONS FORUM

Seaweed Symposium in Norway Next Summer

The second International Seaweed Symposium is being planned by the Norwegian Institute of Seaweed Research. It will be held, July 1 through 16, 1955, in Trondheim, Norway, at the Norges Tekniske Hogskole.

Papers on the following main subjects will be accepted, according to present plans: chemistry of seaweeds, including methods used in the study of seaweed products; technical subjects connected with harvesting and industrial exploitation of seaweeds; experimental studies of the nutritional value of seaweed products; and algological studies on species which are used or may be expected to be used in industry. The institute states that papers would preferably be read in English.

Scientific Editorial Conference To Be Held at Berkeley

The third Conference on Scientific Editorial Problems will be held Dec. 29 and 30 on the campus of the University of California at Berkeley, according to the chairman of the Conference, Marian Fineman, Chief, Editorial Branch, Dugway Proving Ground, Dugway, Utah. The conference is a permanent feature of the annual meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Sessions will be held in Room 125, Hilgard Hall, on the University campus.

Cereal Chemists Announce 1955 Meeting for May 15-19

The American Association of Cereal Chemists will hold its 1955 annual meeting during the week of May 15 to 19, at the Chase Hotel, St. Louis, Mo.

William B. Bradley, American Institute of Baking, Chicago, will be chairman of the technical program, and Emery C. Swanson, Pillsbury Mills, Inc., Springfield, will be in charge of local arrangements.

Chemurgic Council Schedules March Conference

The National Farm Chemurgic Council will hold its annual chemurgic conference at the Deshler-Hilton Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, March 22 to 24, 1955, it is announced by Henry T. McKnight, president. Latest developments in agricultural research will be the chief topic.

John W. Ticknor, National Farm Chemurgic Council, 350 Fifth Ave., New York, is conference chairman.

Southeast Weed Conference in St. Petersburg in January

The Southeastern Weed Control Conference has set its eighth annual meeting for Jan. 17 to 19 at the Hotel Soreno in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Although program details are not yet released, the agenda will include sections on weed control in field crops, cotton, and horticultural crops. Also planned are sessions on agricultural engineering problems in weed and brush control, physiological problems in herbicidal investigations, control of weedy plots, and special weed problems.

Brewing Chemists to Meet in May in Philadelphia

The American Society of Brewing Chemists has announced that its next annual meeting will be held in Philadelphia from May 1 through 5, 1955. Headquarters will be the Hotel Bellevue-Stratford.

CALENDAR

Chemical Specialties Manufacturers Association. New York. Dec. 6-8.

North Central Weed Control Conference. Gardner Hotel, Fargo, N. D. Dec. 6-9.

American Institute of Chemical Engineers. New York. Dec. 12-15.

Southwest Regional Meeting, American Chemical Society, Fort Worth, Tex. Dec. 2-4.

Agricultural Ammonia Institute. Jung Hotel, New Orleans, La. Dec. 5-8.

Entomological Society of America. Houston, Tex. Dec. 6-9.

Northeastern Weed Control Conference. Hotel New Yorker, New York, N. Y. Jan. 5-7, 1955.

Southeastern Weed Control Conference. Soreno Hotel, St. Petersburg, Fla. Jan. 17-19, 1955.

American Association of Cereal Chemists. Chase Hotel, St. Louis, Mo. May 15-19, 1955.

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