

the Society, but it is high time that we branched out into the other vegetable oils more, and I would therefore urge most earnestly that if any of the soap, olive oil, or other members know of any problem in their line upon which the Society can work, that they will write me and I shall be glad to appoint a Committee to handle it.

At the annual meeting in Memphis, the Governing Committee authorized a fall meeting in the North at a time and place to be decided

later. At this meeting, it is especially hoped that the members affiliated with other lines than Cottonseed Oil will be present in large numbers. If these members have any suggestions as to time, place, or program, please let me hear from you. This fall meeting will be more fully discussed later.

In general, it is our earnest desire that the Society this year will definitely prove itself true to name, *The American Oil Chemists' Society*—H. P. Trevithick

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## American Oil Chemists Meet in Memphis

Eighteenth Convention Develops Largest Attendance and Most Constructive Enthusiasm.

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**T**HE Eighteenth Annual Convention of The American Oil Chemists' Society was called to order by President R. H. Fash in the Louis XVI Room of Hotel Peabody, Memphis, Tennessee, at 9:30 A. M. Monday, May 23, 1927.

In spite of the last minute change of location for the meetings from New Orleans to Memphis, which was due to the unprecedented flood situation in the lower Mississippi Valley, there were over seventy-five members in attendance at Memphis, and many well-prepared papers of the greatest interest to the oil and soap industries, were presented.

The business and professional meetings were held in the Peabody Hotel with morning and afternoon sessions on May 23rd and 24th, and the social activities were thoughtfully planned and executed by the local committees of Memphis members, headed by that most accomplished host and toastmaster, Mr. E. R. ("Ed") Barrow.

The entertainment features in-

cluded a delightful buffet luncheon at the Barrow-Agee laboratories on Monday; a motor trip through the magnificent parks and shaded drives of the "Bluff City"; golf at the Country Club for those devoted to the "Ancient and Honorable" game, and the culmination, the annual banquet at the Hotel Peabody, Tuesday evening.

The convention closed with the thought firmly established in the mind of everyone that the spirit of unity, progress and co-operation among all chemists interested in Oils and Fats has made splendid headway and is gathering momentum more rapidly than ever before.

Through the authors' and chairmen's co-operation, many of the papers and committee reports which were presented to the convention were published in full in the May issue of OIL AND FAT INDUSTRIES which was distributed to the members when the convention opened.

The minutes of the Convention and the full text of some additional papers and reports are presented in this issue.