

NOTE

That the journal may better serve its readers, we should like to ask that members or subscribers give some thought to the publication of their researches in OIL & SOAP.

The editors are convinced that there is much useful publishable material in the files of members of the American Oil Chemists' Society and readers of OIL & SOAP that fails of publication only because the research worker cannot find time to organize available material in manuscript form.

We should like to urge such individuals to write up their data for the benefit of their fellow technical men and as a contribution to the dissemination of useful information. OIL & SOAP will carefully consider every manuscript within its field.

NEWS

Dates for the 1942 National Chemical Exposition and the National Industrial Chemical Conference have been set for November 17-22, inclusive, at the Stevens hotel in Chicago, according to Victor Conquest, chairman of the exposition committee of the Chicago section of the American Chemical Society.

Several scientific societies are planning to hold their conventions and meetings in Chicago during this same week to make use of the advantage the exposition offers in securing a larger attendance. Groups wishing assistance in arranging for convention facilities in Chicago during the exposition should apply to the exposition committee.

Associated with Mr. Conquest on the committee are the following: W. M. Hinman, superintendent of the sensitizing department, Frederick Post Co.; L. E. May, superintendent of chemical products, Sherwin-Williams Co.; R. C. Newton, vice-president, Swift & Company; W. C. Johnson, associate professor of chemistry, University of Chicago; A. Guillaudeu, research chemist, Swift & Company; H. E. Robinson, assistant chief chemist, Swift & Company; and G. L. Parkhurst, senior patent attorney, Standard Oil Co.

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Emery Industries, Inc., of Cincinnati have announced the following promotions in the executive sales staff:

Norman A. Ruston who has been in the sales division for the past 12 years in the home office has been made general sales manager. Mr. Ruston is a graduate of the Rost Polytechnic institute, Terre Haute, with a B.S. degree in chemical engineering.

Mr. Clifford W. Sampson who has been in the sales and technical divisions for the past ten years and recently south-eastern manager, will return to the home office in Cincinnati to become chemical sales manager. Mr. Sampson is a graduate of the Lowell Textile institute with a B. T. C. degree in textile chemistry.

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Dr. Martin H. Ittner has been elected to receive the Perkin Medal of the Society of Chemical Industry for 1942. The medal is awarded annually for outstanding work in applied chemistry, and the medalist is selected by a committee representing the five societies in the United States.

Dr. Ittner was born in Berlin Heights, Ohio, on May 2, 1870. He received a B.A. degree from Washington University in 1892, and after two years' additional work there received a B.S. degree. In 1895 he received an M.A. degree and in 1896 a Ph.D. degree from Harvard Graduate School. In 1930 Colgate University conferred on him an honorary Ph.D. degree and in 1936 he received an L.L.D. from Washington University.

For almost 45 years Dr. Ittner has been in charge of research at Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Company, or predecessor companies. Among Dr. Ittner's many contributions is his development of a successful commercial process for the hydrogenation of fatty oils, on which process he has been granted a number of patents. He has also made valuable contributions in the field of distillation and he holds several recent patents pertaining to new processes for glycerine production.

The medal will be presented on January 9, 1942, at a meeting to be held at The Chemists' Club, 52 East 41st Street, New York City.

BOOK REVIEW**Active Carbon—The Modern Purifier**

JOHN W. HASSLER

This book gives a picture of the several industrial and other applications of activated carbon. It contains an elaborate bibliography of the subject, comprising approximately one-third the volume.

Readers of OIL & SOAP will be particularly interested in the section on Oils, Fats, and Waxes. This section discusses applications to refining, bleaching and deodorization of vegetable oils and animal fats, and also applications to soap fats and beeswax.

This reviewer, whose interest lies in fats and oils, was particularly impressed by the variety of other applications in which activated carbon has been found useful: sugar refining, water purification, alcoholic beverages, chemicals and pharmaceuticals, petroleum products, waste and sewage treatment, air conditioning, etc.

The book is sponsored by the Industrial Chemical Sales Division of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co., 230 Park Ave., New York City. Copies are available free to scientific, technical, and educational organizations, and to industrial and consulting research laboratories.

POSITIONS OPEN**MANAGER-CHEMIST WANTED**

Man to manage specialty soap manufacturing plant, with knowledge of Chemistry. Must be capable of assuming responsibilities for plant operations and checking chemical controls. Excellent opportunity for right man. Prefer Massachusetts resident. Replies should state complete experience which will be kept confidential. . . .

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