

Spring Convention News

New A.O.C.S. President

Lamar Kishlar in 1917, like so many young men of today, hurriedly finished his engineering courses at the University of Michigan to join the Aviation Force of the United States Navy. During the years 1917 through 1919, he saw active service at Newport, Rhode Island, and Pelham Bay, New York, and was an instructor in the Aviation Engineers School at Columbia University and the Aviation School at Great



Dr. Lamar Kishlar

Lakes. He did some research on the first Liberty Motor built at the Packard Motor Company in Detroit and aided in the development of what is believed to be the first electric starter to be applied to a naval aviation engine. After the Armistice he was active in research with the Wagner Electric Manufacturing Company until 1922. Since 1922 he has been associated with the Ralston Purina Company, largely identified with research and development. Since 1934 he has been Manager of Research with this company.

He became interested in the soybean in the early days of the soybean's American development and interested his company in building three of the seven pioneer plants which are still operating. He has for many years been interested in cottonseed processing, not only in the special qualities of the oil, but also in the valuable nutritive qualities of the meal, since the company he represents is one of, if not the largest, single consumer of oil meals in the world.

Dr. Kishlar was born in Ypsilanti, Mich., on Sept. 25, 1894. He received the Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Michigan in 1917, and in 1941

was awarded the professional degree in engineering from the same university, completing his graduate study and dissertation under a joint committee of the Medical and Engineering Colleges. With his wife, Carolyn Nettleship Kishlar, and his sixteen-year-old son, Lamar, Jr., he resides at 312 Planthurst Road, Webster Groves, Missouri.

34TH ANNUAL MEETING

The 34th Annual Convention of the American Oil Chemists' Society, held at the Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans May 12 to May 14, has now passed into history and into a host of pleasant memories. A well chosen collection of informative, scientific, and technical papers topped by pleasant warm weather, New Orleans atmosphere, good old Southern hospitality on the part of the hosts, and smiling sociability on the part of the guests, all conspired to make the Meeting a huger success than could have been anticipated.

The registration was the largest ever attained at a Southern meeting, some 175. Twenty-four states were represented and two registrants were from Toronto, Canada. Illinois and Louisiana contributed about 20% each; Tennessee and Texas, 10% each; Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, New Jersey, Washington, D. C., about 5% each; and Arizona, Arkansas, California, Canada, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New York and South Carolina about 1% each.

The address of welcome by Dr. K. S. Markley, Chairman of the Local Committee, immediately reflected the atmosphere of seriousness which was to permeate the whole meeting showing that the successful promotion of the war effort was topmost in the minds of all.



Members of the U. S. Department of Agriculture pose for their picture. D. F. J. Lynch, director of the Southern Regional Research Laboratory, lines up beside W. W. Skinner, chief of the Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry, and Henry Stevens, Principal Chemist.

The largest membership in the history of this Society was reported by H. S. Mitchell in his presidential address. He stated that the financial condition of the Society is excellent and paid special tribute to the Membership Committee under Dr. Kishlar, to the Journal Committee headed by Mr. Roschen, to Mr.

Haney, now in the Service, and Miss Isabel K. Cumming, in handling the Journal affairs, and to Mr. J. C. P. Helm for his long continuous service as Secretary-Treasurer. Dr. Mitchell then made a number of constructive suggestions for the improvement of the Society.

Another high spot in the Meeting was the announcement by Dr. Kishlar, Chairman of the Membership Committee, that 132 new members had been added to our rolls this year. This is more than twice the growth in any one previous year.

The following officers were unanimously elected for the coming year:

Lamar Kishlar, St. Louis, Mo., President
 K. S. Markley, New Orleans, La., Vice-President
 S. O. Sorenson, Minneapolis, Minn., 2nd Vice-Pres.
 J. H. Kirby, Memphis, Tenn., 3rd Vice-Pres.
 F. D. Snell, Brooklyn, N. Y., 4th Vice-Pres.
 J. C. P. Helm, New Orleans, La., Secretary-Treas.

On Thursday afternoon, some twenty members paid a visit to the Southern Regional Research Laboratory,



E. R. Barrow, presumably thinking over the American Oil Chemists' Society Cup, that his laboratories won.

Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture. They were conducted in small groups through the various laboratories where investigations on cottonseed, peanuts, and sweet potatoes are in progress.

On Thursday afternoon, May 13, a band of eleven hard-bitten golfing addicts pitted their skill against the hazards of the New Orleans Country Club courts. The club professional tabulated the cards and prizes were given to the five low net score:

Filtrol Corporation—\$25.00 War Bond—E. A. Georgi—70
 L. A. Salamon Company—Golf Clubs—R. R. King—72
 Laboratory Construction Co.—\$10.00 War Stamps—J. Pelofsky—73
 Bennett Clark Company, Ind.—Half Dozen Golf Balls—G. W. Wold—74
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An added feature of the dinner dance was the distribution of \$75.00 worth of war stamps and bonds and a \$10.00 gift to the Red Cross.



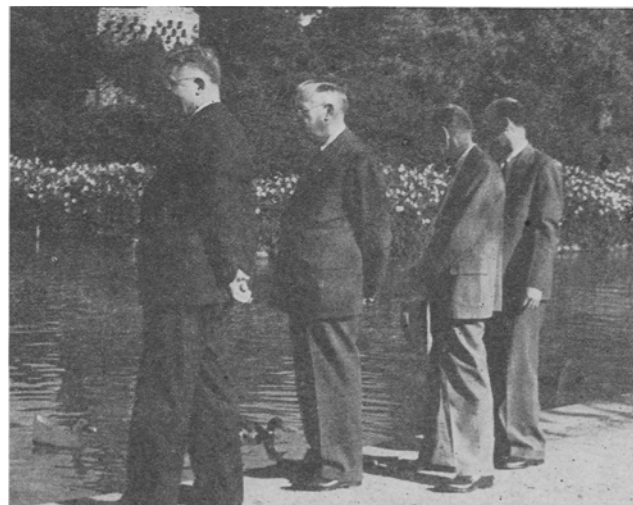
A Group of Ladies on the Way to the French Quarter

The Smalley Foundation awards were made during the dinner dance as follows:

The "American Oil Chemists' Society Cup" for the highest efficiency in the determination of both oil and nitrogen on all samples was awarded to Barrow-Agee Laboratories, Memphis, Tenn., with an average of 99.974 percent. The average efficiency was higher than that of last year, which was 99.964 percent. The certificate for second place went to T. L. Rettger, The Buckeye Cotton Oil Company, Memphis, Tenn., who had an efficiency of 99.969 percent, as compared with 99.943 percent for last year.

The certificate for the highest efficiency in the determination of oil only was awarded to Geo. W. Gooch Laboratories, Los Angeles, Calif., with an average of 99.984 percent, as compared with 99.954 percent for last year. The certificate for second place went to Barrow-Agee Laboratories, Memphis, Tenn., with an efficiency of 99.947 percent as compared with 99.943 percent for last year.

The certificate for the highest efficiency in the determination of nitrogen was awarded to the Barrow-Agee Laboratories of Memphis, Tenn., with an average of 100 percent as compared with 99.989 percent for last year. The certificate for second place went to T. L. Rettger, The Buckeye Cotton Oil Company, Memphis, Tenn., with an average of 99.996 percent, as compared with 99.985 percent for last year.



H. S. Mitchell, J. J. Vollertsen, C. H. Cox, and R. T. Milner relax between sessions.

The local ladies' committee of the American Oil Chemists' Society entertained the wives of the oil chemists who attended the 1943 Convention in New Orleans. Mrs. Albert Sanchez served as chairman of this committee. Mrs. Raymond Burnett and Mrs. Hopper acted as reporters. Wednesday morning, May 12th, was held open for registration and "getting acquainted" on the mezzanine floor of the Roosevelt Hotel by members of the local committee. That afternoon the ladies met in the lounge of the Blue Room to go in a body to the Green Shutter Tea Room in the Vieux Carre, where a complimentary tea was given. Here twenty-five ladies enjoyed the tea and sandwiches within one of the oldest buildings in the

French Quarter. It was erected in 1796—a quaint green-shuttered one-story structure, formerly the residence of the keeper of the Cabildo Prison. Thursday morning fourteen of the ladies were taken to a conducted walking tour of the French Quarter, visiting some of the most interesting spots in this well known section of New Orleans, and ending the tour at the famous Courtyard kitchen where a creole luncheon was served at 12:30. From here several cars of ladies journeyed to the Southern Regional Research Laboratory where they experienced a very interesting tour of the building. Friday afternoon was left open for a Harbor trip should any of the visitors care to avail themselves of this. The program concluded Friday evening, the fourteenth, with a dinner dance in the Crystal Ballroom of the Roosevelt Hotel.

The chairmen of the sub-committees of the local organizing committee were as follows: J. C. P. Helm, E. A. Gastrock, J. J. Ganucheau, G. W. Irving, Jr., J. A. Kime, A. F. Sanchez, E. L. Skau, W. R. Stryker.

The following papers were added to the Convention program after it was printed in the April issue of *Oil & Soap*.

The Determination of Free Fatty Acid in the Extracted Oil from Cottonseed, P. McG. Shuey, Savannah, Georgia.

The Selective Absorption of Color from Soybean Oil with Activated Carbon, J. W. Hassler, Tyrone, Pennsylvania.

The Preparation of Purified Methyl Linoleate by Chromatography. C. E. Swift, W. G. Rose and G. S. Jamieson, Washington, D. C.



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