

## News

### 35TH ANNUAL MEETING

Plans have been made to hold the 35th Annual Meeting of The American Oil Chemists' Society in New Orleans, Louisiana, May 10-12, 1944. The Roosevelt Hotel has again been selected as headquarters for the convention and all technical sessions, committee meetings, and the annual dinner will be held at the headquarters hotel.

According to present arrangements, the technical sessions will be held in the Grand Ball Room on Wednesday and Thursday, May 10 and 11, and in the Gold Ball Room on Friday, May 12. The annual dinner will be held in the Grand Ball Room on Friday evening, May 12.

The Local Committee, and especially the Chairman of the Technical Program Committee, is very anxious to obtain at the earliest possible date the titles of papers which members of the Society expect to present at the Spring Meeting. This year an effort will be made to supply to each member, at the time of registration, a mimeographed set of abstracts of the papers to be presented, and it will, therefore, be necessary for authors submitting titles of papers to furnish an abstract at least one month prior to the meeting in order to allow time for mimeographing and binding of collected abstracts. The Local Committee urges you to submit, at the earliest possible date, the titles of papers you desire to present.

Owing to possible continued congestion of hotels, restaurants, transportation, and entertainment facilities in New Orleans, members are requested to make their hotel reservations as early as possible, preferably arranging to share a room with at least one other member. You are, therefore, urged to communicate with Mr. Roy R. Bartlett, Convention Manager of the Roosevelt Hotel, indicating that you desire reservations for such period as you may expect to be in New Orleans.

Tentative plans have been made to provide a Ladies' entertainment program, which, however, will have to await further information from the members of the Society whether they are being accompanied by ladies. It would, therefore, be appreciated if you would advise the General Chairman regarding your plans in this matter.

Facilities will undoubtedly be provided for those who may care to play golf on Thursday afternoon, which has been left open for committee meetings, plant visitations, etc. However, it has not been decided whether there will be any formal tournament play as was customary in previous years.

Chairman of the Local Committees are as follows:

General Chairman: Dr. George W. Irving, Jr.,  
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Technical Program: Mr. Alton E. Bailey,  
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Annual Dinner: Dr. K. S. Markley,  
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**MAX M. NICHOLS, JR.**

Max Montague Nichols, Jr., 25, was killed in action with the United States Air Force, as bombardier over Rangoon Burma, December 1st. Of him Major General Chennault said, "He was in every respect a fine soldier and a true American." General Arnold wrote in a letter to Lt. Nichols' mother, "He always maintained the high standard of efficiency and exhibited the devotion to duty which characterized him from the outset of his military career, setting a good example for officers and men alike. In every respect he proved to be a credit to his command and his intense loyalty won the admiration of his associates."

Lt. Nichols entered the army in 1941 as a Chemical Warfare Officer at Barksdale Field. He later volunteered for bombardier training and graduated from Midland Army Flying School in Texas. In February, 1943, he and his Liberator bomber crew left for the Asiatic area, arriving in India a month later, where they were assigned to the 14th Air Force under Major General Chennault. Lt. Nichols was advanced to the grade of First Lieutenant in the field last June.

In civilian life Lt. Nichols graduated from Clemson College in June, 1939, and joined the research staff of the Southern Cotton Oil Company. As one of the younger members his loss to the Society will be keenly felt.

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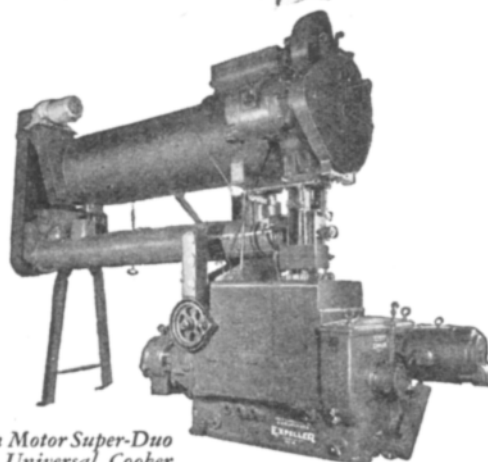
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