# News

#### SPRING MEETING

Mr. Robert M. Walsh, Principal Agricultural Economist iin the Division of Statistical and Historical Research of the United States Department of Agriculture, will be among the speakers at the 35th Annual Meeting of the Society, May 10 to 12, at New Orleans. Mr. Walsh, who is Editor of The Fats and Oils Situation, will deliver a paper on the economics of fats and oils, a field in which he is a nationally recognized authority.

In addition to the general papers there will be a symposium on the physical properties of fats and oils which will include papers on X-ray and ultra-violet spectrosopy, specific and latent heats, viscosity and plasticity, and the practical application of physical methods of processing including liquid-liquid extraction and continuous solidification of lubricating greases.

A second symposium, on oil stability, will include papers on methods of determining stability, the mechanism of oxidative rancidification, and the action of antioxidants, especially recently proposed antioxidants.

The verbal reports of committées will be held to a minimum in order to allow ample time for the presentation and discussion of the numerous technical papers which are scheduled. Although a sufficient number of papers have been offered to insure a wellrounded program it will be possible to include a limited number of additional papers whose timeliness and merit warrants their presentation at this time.

Plans are in progress for a War Bond Golf Tournament.

Those who attended last year's convention will be glad to know that Johnny Dedroit's Orchestra will again provide the music for the Annual Dinner Dance.

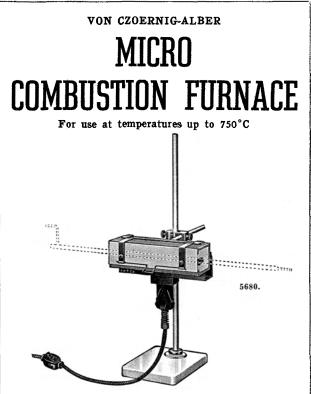
Since an unusually large registration is expected, attention is again being called to the necessity for making hotel reservations well in advance, and notifying the Chairman of the Ladies' Entertainment Committee, Mrs. Paul O. Lambou, 5105 Arts Street, whether you will be accompanied by a lady.

#### GENERAL MILLS ORGANIZES SOY BUSINESS

Two AOCS members have been appointed to executive positions with the vegetable oil and protein division of General Mills, Inc. Walter E. Flumerfelt is now manager of the Belmond, Iowa, extraction soybean processing plant, and Wilbur L. Taylor is the new technical director of the vegetable oil and protein division. Soybean processing operations are scheduled to begin in the early summer at Belmond.

## **APPLICATION FOR REFEREE CERTIFICATE**

First Notice. Mr. W. A. Fix, Plains Laboratory, Lubbock, Texas, has applied for appointment as Referee Chemist on oil cake and meal and on cottonseed. The Referee Board will be glad to receive information on the qualifications of Mr. Fix from any A. O. C. S. member. Address A. S. Richardson, M. A. & R. Building, Ivorydale 17, Ohio.



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### CONVENTIONS SCHEDULED

The forty-eighth annual meeting of the National Cottonseed Products Association will be held at the Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 17 and 18. Any member who has a proposed amendment to the Charter or By-Laws should submit it in writing to A. L. Duran, Robart, Oklahoma, or a proposed change in the Rules to T. A. Hughston, Box 5056, Dallas, Texas. Copies of both should be sent to the executive offices of the association, Sterick Building, Memphis, Tennessee.

The Food Technologists' annual meeting will be held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago, May 29 to 31, under the chairmanship of M. L. Laing of Armour & Company. The Nicholas Appert Medal award will be presented to Dr. Charles Albert Browne, U. S. Department of Agriculture, who is stationed in Washington, D. C., for his contributions to food technology. Dr. Roy C. Newton of Swift & Company is 1943 president of the Institute of Food Technologists.

And don't forget the New Orleans convention of the American Oil Chemists' Society, May 10 to 12 at the Roosevelt Hotel. The local committee again urges all members to make their hotel reservations early.

#### CHEMICAL OR MECHANICAL ENGINEER

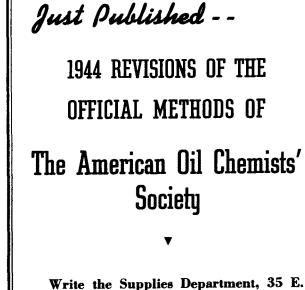
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