



Key chairmen on the Chicago convention committee line up for a group shot in the West Lounge of the Edgewater Beach hotel: R. H. Rogers Jr., exhibits; A. F. Kapecki, registration; R. W. Bates, field trips; H. T. Spannuth, program; C. E. Morris, general chairman; A. A. Kiess, hotel; J. L. Schille, entertainment; and J. J. Vollertsen, treasurer. Absent are Mrs. W. R. Prosch, ladies' chairman, and G. Norman Bruce, publicity chairman.



Representatives of the Corn Products Refining Company take a friendly interest in the new work of their associate, A. R. Baldwin (right, seated), who became Journal editor in May 1949. Seated: P. R. Sheffer, P. Yarmaluk; standing: M. S. Sniogowski, R. A. Reiners.

Chicago Meeting Sets Two New AOCs Records

APPRAISAL of the 1949 fall meeting of the American Oil Chemists' Society, held in Chicago at the Edgewater Beach hotel from October 31 to November 3, indicates the largest attendance at a Chicago meeting and the second largest in Society history. Figures are as follows: 382 members, 224 non-members, and 56 complimentary to speakers and the like, totalling 662. Outside of this number were 26 ladies and 56 exhibitors, who were not represented in the count of 662. Thus the grand total was 744.



C. E. Morris

In New York, for the 1948 fall meeting, the registration figure was given as 713, including 400 members, 226 non-members, and 87 women but exclusive of the 100 or more exhibitors.

An innovation for Chicago was the welcome to early arrivals, from 5 to 7 p.m., on Sunday, October 30. Field trips were revived, with two scheduled for Thursday, November 3. One of these, to the Quartermaster Food and Container Institute, was cancelled for lack of enrollment; the other, to the month-old Armour fatty acid plant at McCook, Ill., only one of its kind in the world, attracted about 60, with R. W. Bates in charge.

Appreciation of all in attendance at the meeting, which scheduled a record 64 technical papers and three concurrent, half-day sessions, is extended to C. E. Morris, general chairman, his committees, and Mrs. W. R. Prosch, ladies' chairman. H. T. Spannuth was program chairman.

A number of technical committees met in conference, also the Journal and Advertising committees

and the special committee on Society finances, comprising Mr. Morris, chairman, A. R. Baldwin, H. L. Roschen, N. A. Ruston, and J. J. Vollertsen.

Exhibitors in addition to those listed in the October issue were L. A. Salomon & Bro. and Skelly Oil Company.

Board Approves Drying Oils Course for 1950

VARIOUS reports and motions comprised the business transacted by the Governing Board on October 30, 1949, at the Edgewater Beach hotel in Chicago. V. C. Mehlenbacher, president, presided; others present were J. R. Mays Jr., A. E. Bailey, T. H. Hopper, R. R. King, C. P. Long, R. T. Milner, L. B. Parsons, H. L. Roschen, S. O. Sorensen, and J. J. Vollertsen. Guests were A. R. Baldwin, chairman of the Journal Committee; E. B. Kester, chairman of the 1950 fall meeting in San Francisco; and C. E. Morris, chairman of special committee on finances.



V. C. Mehlenbacher

Preliminary reports were made by Bailey on the work of the Award Committee; by Mays on the handling of the book of Methods; by Baldwin on the short course in the absence of J. P. Harris, chairman, and on the Journal; by Kester on the tentative plans for the San Francisco meeting; by Hopper on the location of the 1951 spring meeting. In addition, a representative of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Perl, invited the Society to meet in Minneapolis in 1952, according to a recent board request to Sorensen.

Board approval was given on three items: a short

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