

Mehlenbacher To Be President; Mays Elected Vice-President

IN accordance with tradition and the 1948 by-laws V. C. Mehlenbacher, vice president, was elected president of the American Oil Chemists' Society at the 40th annual meeting in New Orleans, La., on May 10-12, 1949. Chosen to serve with him during the year 1948-49 were J. R. Mays, Jr., vice president; A. E. Bailey, T. H. Hopper, and L. B. Parsons, members-at-large; H. L. Roschen, secretary; and J. J. Vollertsen, treasurer. The last two were re-elected; Mays and Parsons were both on the Governing Board

last year, the latter having been fourth vice president since 1946 under the old by-laws. New to the Board will be Messrs. Bailey and Hopper.

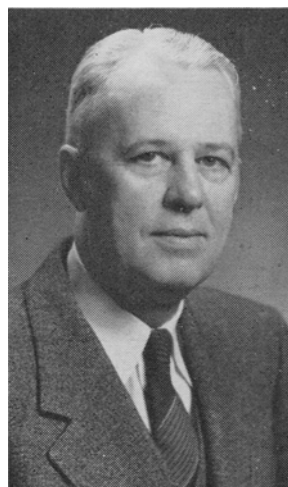
Besides these new officers several past presidents will also serve on the Governing Board for the coming year: C. P. Long, 1948-49; R. T. Milner, 1947-48; S. O. Sorensen, 1946-47; and R. R. King, 1945-46. Retiring past president is K. S. Markley, 1944-45.

Mr. Mehlenbacher is chief chemist of Swift and Company, Chicago. He has the master of science degree from the University of Southern California and has been with Swift research laboratories since 1926. Active in Society work, he has been membership chairman as well as vice president during the past year and technical editor of the *Methods of Analysis* since 1945, producing the new revised edition in 1946 and the succeeding sets of Revisions in 1947 and 1948. Since 1939 Mr. Mehlenbacher has served as chairman of the Fat and Oil Analysis Committee; other committees on which he has served since joining the Society in 1934 are Oil Color, Sampling, Oil Characteristics, and Seed and Meal Analysis. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, the Institute of Food Technologists, and the American Society for Quality Control.

A member of the Society since 1916, Mr. Mays is associated in business with two charter members and past presidents of the Society, G. W. Agee (1914) and E. R. Barrow (1912). He was third vice president in 1923, 1944, and again in 1948. This position was done away with under the 1948 by-laws and made member-at-large. Mr. Mays is vice president and chemical engineering consultant in cottonseed crushing of the Barrow-Agee Laboratories inc., Memphis, Tenn. He took his B.S. in chemical engineering in 1915 and his M.S. in 1916 from Louisiana State University and immediately joined the staff of the Barrow Laboratory Company, Memphis. From 1917-19 he was connected with the Tallulah (La.) Cotton Oil Company, part of the time being on leave for duty with the U. S. armed forces. Then he was with Barrow-Agee in Shreveport, La., until 1936, when he went to the Memphis staff. For the Society, Mr. Mays has served on such committees as Meal Color, F.F.A.,



V. C. Mehlenbacher



J. R. Mays, Jr.



A. E. Bailey

and Membership. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, Memphis Engineers Club, Tri-State Oil Mill Superintendents' Association, and Alpha Chi Sigma.

MR. BAILEY has been chief process engineer for the oil and fat section, Votator division, Girdler Corporation, Louisville, Ky., since 1946 and before that he had been senior chemical technologist and head of the oil processing research section, Southern Regional Research Laboratory, New Orleans. He received the B.S. degree from the University of New Mexico in 1927. His specialty has been edible oils and fats, and his book on "Industrial Oil and Fat Products" was published in 1945. "Cottonseed and Cottonseed Products," which he edited, was brought out in 1948. Last summer he lectured on hydrogenation for the first short course on edible oils, and he will again be on the faculty of the 1949 short course at the University of Illinois. Mr. Bailey has been on the Journal Committee since 1944.

Serving his second year as chairman of the annual meeting in New Orleans, Mr. Hopper is head of the analytical, physical chemical, and physical division, Southern Regional Research Laboratory, New Orleans. He has been chairman of the new Seed and



T. H. Hopper



L. B. Parsons



H. L. Roschen



J. J. Vollertsen

Meal Analysis Committee since 1945. Other committee duties since joining the Society in 1936 have been with Soybean Analysis, 1940-41; Membership, 1943-45; Check Samples, 1945—; Uniform Methods, 1945—; and Nominating and Election, 1946-47. With a master's degree from the University of Missouri Mr. Hopper has made a specialty of the study of factors causing variations in physical characteristics and composition of vegetable oils, particularly soybean, linseed, and cottonseed. He is joint author of U.S.D.A. Technical Bulletins 787 and 844.

Dr. Parsons, a member since 1938, is chief chemist of Lever Brothers Company, Cambridge, Mass. He has his B.S. degree from Syracuse University and his M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. His research experience has touched on all phases of the packing industry, including hydrogenation of fats and oils, shortening manufacture, rendering, meat curing, glues, and fertilizer. He has been on committees as follows: FAC, 1941—; Soap Analysis, 1941—; and Uniform Methods, 1945—. He is a member of the American Chemical Society and the American Society for Testing Materials.

A research chemist for Swift and Company, Chicago, since 1926 and a member of the Society since 1933, Mr. Roschen has been secretary since 1945 and Journal editor, coincident with the chairmanship of the Journal Committee, from 1937 to 1948. He was vice president in 1937 and served on the Public Relations and Advertising Committees from 1945-47. He was chairman of the Moisture Committee several years ago. Mr. Roschen is a member of the American Chemical Society and of the Institute of Food Technologists. He was given in 1926 a B.A. degree from Carleton college.

After 23 years of service, Mr. Vollertsen retired in December 1946 as chief of the chemical research development department of Armour and Company, Chicago. From 1910 to 1923 he was with Morris and Company before its purchase by Armour. After his graduation from the University of Chicago in 1903 he went first to Swift and Company, then to the Kenicott Water Softener Company. He was a member of the Uniform Methods Committee from 1920 on and chairman from 1928 to 1947, also chairman of the Smalley Foundation Committee from 1936 to 1946. In 1924 he was vice president of the Society; in 1925,

president, later serving on the Governing Board until 1929. He was made an honorary member of the Society in 1947, after 31 years of membership.

Other announcements deriving from the annual meeting will be published in the June issue of the Journal.

Mattiello Memorial Lecture

The Mattiello Lecture Committee has chosen Roy H. Kienle to deliver the first Joseph J. Mattiello Memorial Lecture before the Federation of Paint and Varnish Production Clubs' annual convention at Atlantic City, N. J., in November, 1949. Dr. Kienle is director of application research, American Cyanamid Company, Calco chemical division. He is assistant research director of the American Cyanamid Company, having been with Calco 15 years. Prior to that time he worked for the General Electric Company, research laboratory, Schenectady, N. Y., for 14 years.

Obituary

Willard H. Dow, president of the Dow Chemical Company, was killed March 31, 1949, in a plane crash near London, Ontario. His wife, Mrs. Martha Dow, and three other persons were killed with him. Dr. Dow had been president of the Dow Chemical Company since 1930.

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