

Interest Grows in Fatty Acid Producers' Award

SINCE ANNOUNCEMENT of the Fatty Acid Award in the May issue of the Journal and distribution of a news release about it, inquiries have been coming into the national headquarters of the American Oil Chemists' Society from various colleges, universities, and students. This award has been established by the Fatty Acid Division of the Association of American Soap and Glycerine Producers Inc., New York, and will be administered by the A.O.C.S.

The award of \$500 will be known as the Fatty Acid Producers' Award, and manuscripts along with the official Entry Form are to be submitted by September 1, 1955, to the Society at 35 E. Wacker drive, Chicago, Ill. They will be reviewed on an anonymous basis by three judges: a professor (R. T. Milner, University of Illinois); a non-profit research laboratory man (J. C. Cowan, Northern Utilization Research Branch, U.S.D.A., Peoria, Ill.); and an industrial research director (A. R. Baldwin, Cargill Inc., Minneapolis).

Requirements indicate that the award is to be given for work done in an educational institution in the United States or Canada while the individual is a candidate for a degree (bachelor, master, or doctor) or on the staff of an institution within one year after receipt of such a degree. Submission of a paper or thesis may take place within one year after the author is graduated. A research team associate on the same project and meeting these requirements is also eligible.

Announcement of the 1955 winner will be made at the Philadelphia meeting of the Society, October 10-12, and at the same time the 1956 mss. competition will be opened. The Society committee in charge of the award arrangements comprises M. L. Sheely, Armour and Company, Chicago, chairman; S. T. Bauer, Crosby Chemicals Inc., De Ridder, La.; and D. H. Wheeler, General Mills Inc., Minneapolis.

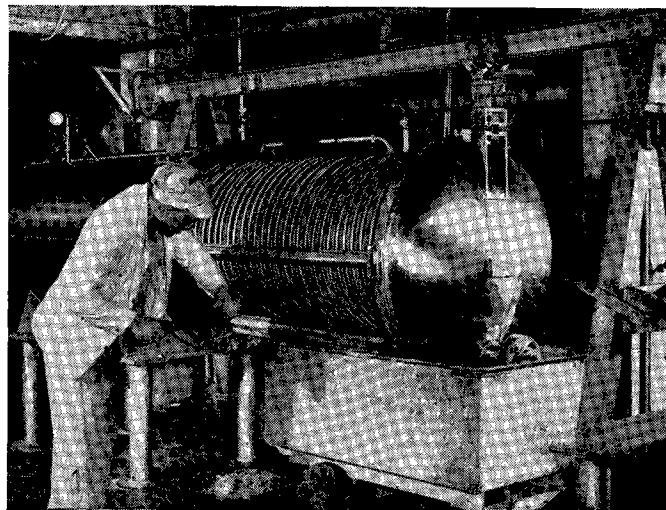
In June 1920

The name of the society was changed from the Society of Cotton Products Analysts to the American Oil Chemists' Society at the 11th annual meeting May 10 and 11 at the Hotel Grunewald, New Orleans, and announced in the June issue of the Chemists' Section of the Cotton Oil Press. ❖

F. N. Smalley, in commenting on the change of name, writes "that the society has outgrown the limitations that cottonseed products placed on it and that now it is prepared to enter actively into any of the oil and fat branches. In the case of soya, peanut, and copra it has already made a stand, and new ones should come rapidly." ❖

Smalley continues: "its action in changing the constitution so as to provide an examining board whose duty it shall be to examine and certify as to the ability and fitness of any chemist to analyze such products as can be handled by its official methods is an indication that it has the desire to place every safeguard over the buyer and seller of these products."

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