



RETIREES—Honored at a luncheon September 26, 1956, in the Sherman hotel, Chicago, are these three: M. M. Durkee (left), retired in August by the A. E. Staley Manufacturing Company, Decatur, Ill.; Procter Thomson (center) and C. P. Long, both retired in September by Procter and Gamble Company, Cincinnati, O.

Three Members Honored at Chicago Meeting

A LUNCHEON in honor of three members retiring from professional activity was held on September 26, 1956, at the Sherman hotel, Chicago, as part of the fall meeting of the American Oil Chemists' Society, with N. W. Ziels as chairman. The three were: M. M. Durkee (1925), retired from the A. E. Staley Manufacturing Company, Decatur, Ill.; C. P. Long (1918) and Procter Thomson (1933), both retired from the Procter and Gamble Manufacturing Company, Cincinnati, O. More than 70 attended.

The tribute to Mr. Durkee was presented by E. M. James, who recapitulated biographical and professional detail similar to that published in the Journal of the A.O.C.S. in the October issue. Mr. Durkee then responded.

J. T. R. Andrews, a long-time colleague of Messrs. Thomson and Long at P&G, paid tribute to each in turn, with humor derived from Shakespeare, and their response was appropriate.

Mr. Thomson's specialties, according to Mr. Andrews, have been improvement in deodorization and oil hydrogenation catalysts, quality control, and the measurement and specification of color. His interest in process control and standardization has led to the application of statistical methods at Procter and Gamble and to his membership in the American Statistical Association. He was president of the American Oil Chemists' Society in 1953.

"C. P.," as he is called by many, completed 50 years of service to the Globe Soap Company-Procter and Gamble as of July 1956, and at long last his age has been revealed, 75. He was born September 2, 1881. His specialties, Mr. Andrews said, have been the standardization of methods of analysis for soaps and synthetic detergents, oils, fats, and glycerine. He has served on 15 technical committees of the American Oil Chemists' Society, was president in 1948, and by a combination of circumstances has served longer on the Governing Board than any other member, 14 years.

On the Educational Front

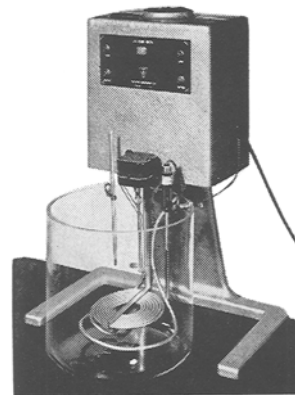
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