

Qualified Journal Readers are Invited to Join Society

MANY READERS OF THIS JOURNAL who are not members of the American Oil Chemists' Society are qualified for such membership, and we extend an invitation to them to apply.



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There are three classes of membership available to new members. The first is active membership. Persons to qualify for this class must be, at the time of election, actually engaged in the scientific and/or technological work relating to fats, oils, waxes, compounds, or allied associated products and have at least five years' academic training or its equivalent. For this purpose, two years of actual working experience shall be considered equivalent to one year of academic training.

The second class is individual associate membership. Persons who are not qualified for active membership but who are engaged in the manufacture, distribution or sale of oils, fats, waxes, their constituents or compounds or allied associated products, or machinery, supplies, instruments, or other equipment used by this industry qualify as individual associate members. Also persons who are interested in the development of the chemistry and/or technology of this industry may become individual associate members.

The third class of membership is corporation associate. Corporation associate members consist of corporations or firms engaged in the manufacture, distribution or sale of oils, fats, waxes, or allied or associated products or machinery, supplies, etc., used by the industry.

THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE interprets the phrase "actually engaged in scientific and/or technological work" rather liberally. Operation of a modern plant is technical work, and many managers, sales managers, and salesmen use a high degree of technical competence in their work. Many people who do such work are actually qualified for active membership. Active members have the privilege of holding office and voting while individual associate members and corporation associate members may not vote or hold office.

Under consideration is a new class of membership, namely, student membership. A proposal to change the constitution to permit establishment of this class of membership is being voted on by the Society at present.

MEMBERS VALUE THEIR MEMBERSHIP a) for the prestige of membership in the Society representing their field of technical interest; b) for the personal satisfaction of contributing to the use of A.O.C.S. standard analytical procedures throughout the oil, fat, oilseed, and related products industries; c) for the opportunity afforded through committee activity to contribute to the work of the Society; d) for the personal contacts and stimulating discussions at the two yearly meetings and many committee meetings which serve to keep one abreast of the latest research, both fundamental and practical; e) for receipt of the Journal of the American Oil Chemists' Society each month, which publishes an increasing preponderance of the latest fundamental and practical papers in the field; and f) for the opportunity to participate in the Smalley competition for excellence in analytical work.

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500 More Proxies Needed

AN ESTIMATED 400 to 500 more proxies are needed from the active membership of the American Oil Chemists' Society if the proposed changes in the constitution and by-laws are to be adopted. The Governing Board requests approval of the changes, which are intended to make possible more flexibility in the setting of fees, establish an active junior membership classification, set up a policy for deciding a tie vote for any office, make certain changes in procedure for the Referee Examining Board, and bring the amendment on meetings of the Society into agreement with actual practice. Changes in the by-laws are needed to implement the amendments to the constitution.

A favorable vote of two-thirds of the active membership of the Society, present in person or by proxy, at the annual meeting in New Orleans, April 29-May 1, 1957, is required for adoption. Dan L. Henry, Law and Company, Atlanta, Ga., is chairman of the special committee presenting the changes.

Announces More Appointments

MORE INFORMATION about committee appointments has been released by the president of the American Oil Chemists' Society, T. H. Hopper.

R. L. Wille, Procter and Gamble Company, Cincinnati, O., replaces G. W. Holman, of the same firm, on the consistency subcommittee of the Fat Analysis Committee.

The new Technical Safety Committee, of which A. E. MacGee, Skelly Oil Company, Kansas City, Mo., is chairman, will have three subcommittees: solvent extraction, laboratory, and general plant, with a vice chairman in charge of each. Paul R. Sheffer, Corn Products Refining Company, Argo, Ill., will serve as vice chairman of the solvent extraction committee.

Other appointments to the Safety Committee are R. M. Starr, Honeyead Products Company, Mankato, Minn.; E. F. Cavanaugh, Armour and Company, Chicago; H. H. Schultz, S. C. Johnson and Son Inc., Racine, Wis.; R. F. Brian, Central Soya Company Inc., Decatur, Ind.; M. A. Ewan, Clinton Corn Processing Company, Clinton, Ia.; E. A. Gastrock, Southern Regional Research Laboratory, New Orleans, La.

A.O.C.S. CALENDAR

1957

Spring Meeting: New Orleans, Roosevelt Hotel,
Apr. 29 - May 1

Fall Meeting: Cincinnati, Netherland Hilton Hotel,
Sept. 30, Oct. 1-2

1958

Spring Meeting: Memphis, Apr. 21-23
Fall Meeting: Chicago, Oct. 20-22

1959

Spring Meeting: New Orleans
Fall Meeting: Los Angeles