



## Name Committee Chairmen for Memphis Meeting

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES for the 49th annual meeting of the American Oil Chemists' Society, to be held in Memphis, Tenn., at the Peabody hotel, April 21-23, 1958, have been named by Allen Smith, Perkins Oil Company, who is general chairman.

Adviser—J. R. Mays Jr., Barrow-Agee Laboratories Inc.  
Hotel—J. F. Hanrahan, Distillation Products Industries  
Program—S. J. Rini, HumKo Company  
Entertainment—E. H. Tenent Sr., Woodson-Tenent Laboratories

Ladies' entertainment—Mrs. S. J. Rini  
Registration—L. N. Rogers, Buckeye Cellulose Corporation

Finances—Henry Odeen, H. Odeen Company Inc.  
Publicity—W. J. O'Connell, HumKo Company  
Plant trips—Earl Seabold, HumKo Company  
Reception—T. L. Rettger, Buckeye Cotton Oil Company  
Golf—R. T. Doughtie Jr., U.S.D.A.

A symposium on tall oil will be one of the features of the meeting, arranged by J. P. Krumbain, Newport Industries Company, Pensacola, Fla.

In connection with the annual meeting of the Society there will be a meeting of the outgoing Governing Board on Sunday afternoon and of the incoming Board at the close of the three-day sessions, also annual reports by officers and committee chairmen. Election of officers, as determined by mail ballot in the meantime, will be announced in Memphis.

## Survey Safety Rules

WIDE INTEREST in the question of safety in solvent-extraction plants was shown by A.O.C.S. members in a recent survey conducted by the Technical Safety Committee. A questionnaire on the subject of "Safety Rules" was submitted to 40 individual members, representing almost as many companies in the solvent-extraction field. Thirty-two questionnaires were returned, and the answers show that industry considers this subject an important one.

The Technical Safety Committee under Chairman A. E. MacGee has appointed a solvent extraction subcommittee under Paul Sheffer to study safety in the plant. A special sub-group under Norman Witte made the survey and reported to the Technical Safety Committee at the fall meeting in Cincinnati.

All of the plants covered in the survey had established safety rules, which are effectively brought to the employees' attention on bulletin boards or in booklet form. Additional questions concerning the use of work permits, passes for visitors, and nonsparking tools were tabulated for further study by the subcommittee. Many additional subjects for study by the committee were suggested by those returning the questionnaire.

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## July 14-18 Will Be Dates of 1958 Short Course

THE 1958 SHORT COURSE on soaps and syndets (synthetic detergents) will be held at the Princeton Inn, Princeton, N. J., during the week of July 14, according to Foster Dee Snell, chairman, who is head of the Foster D. Snell Laboratories in New York. All of the meetings will be held in an air-conditioned room. The course will be open to both men and women. The only scheduled meal for the students will be dinner, at which there will be a speaker. Announcement of the fee will be made in the February issue of the Journal.



J. C. Harris

Chairmen of the respective five days of the course will be W. A. Peterson, Colgate-Palmolive Company, Jersey City, N. J.; J. L. Hale, Swift and Company, Newark, N. J.; Donald Price, New York consultant; Morris Mattikow, Refining Uninc., New York; and Jay C. Harris, Monsanto Chemical Company, Dayton, O.

Subjects for the first day will include alkylate, fatty alcohols, sulfonation and sulfation, theoretical and practical aspects. The dinner speaker

will discuss the changing scene of soaps and syndets.

On the second day topics will be ethylene oxide condensation, amine condensates, builders and other adjuncts of syndets, fluorescers; dinner topic will be syndets in sewage.

Wednesday subjects will include specialty syndet structures and types, specialty syndet structures application, glycerine production, and glycerine application. The evening speaker will cover the dermatological aspects of soaps and syndets.

For the fourth day tentative plans are for presentations on saponification stressing the newer methods, splitting of fatty acid, spray drying, and analytical application stressing the newer methods. The economics of soaps and syndets will be the dinner topic.

On Friday, the final day, topics will be textile uses, general detergency, evaluation in metal processing, and general properties.

Inquiries about the course should be sent to the national headquarters of the American Oil Chemists' Society, 35 E. Wacker drive, Chicago 1, Ill.

The various short courses of the Society, which began in 1948, are directed by the Education Committee, of which K. F. Mattil, Swift and Company, Chicago, is chairman.

## To Review Dues

A special committee to discuss a possible increase in membership dues for the American Oil Chemists' Society has been appointed by the president, H. C. Black. Personnel comprises A. F. Kapecki, treasurer, as chairman; R. W. Bates and R. C. Stillman of the Governing Board; and R. C. Pope, Dallas, and J. A. Preston, Mountain Lakes, N. J., as representatives of the membership at large. Results of the study will be made known at the spring meeting in Memphis.

## Hear Talk on Paints

M. W. Formo, of the Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Minneapolis, spoke on the chemistry of paints, with emphasis on the mechanism and function of drying oils, at the November 13, 1957, meeting of the North Central Section of the American Oil Chemists' Society in Chicago at the Builders club. The next meeting will be held January 22.