

Symposia on Fish Oil, Pollution, and Plant Safety Scheduled for Fall Meeting of AOCS

The theme of the AOCS Fall Meeting in New York next October 23rd is FATS AND OILS—PROGRESS ON ALL FRONTIERS. Important steps were taken toward



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the fulfillment of this theme when the Society announced the scheduling of three major symposia. One will consider the subject of Fish Oil and is being organized by M. E. Stansby, Food Science Research Laboratory, U.S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Seattle. The other two are on Water Pollution and Recent Fires in Solvent Extraction Plants. These are being organized by N. H. Witte, Central Soya, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Research on fish oils has until relatively recently lagged behind that carried

out on other oils and fats. Within the past decade, however, governmental research on fish oils carried out both in Canada and the United States has stimulated interest in this field and today such research is much more extensive.

The program of the symposium tentatively will include a paper on refining of fish oils by Ragnar Ohlson of Ab Karlshamns Oljefabriker, Karlshamns, Sweden; one on chemical reactions of fish oil fatty acids by Erich Gauglitz, Jr., of the U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Seattle; one on separation of fish oil fatty acids by Hermann Schlenk, Hormel Institute, University of Minnesota, Austin, Minnesota; one on analysis of fish oil fatty acids by R. G. Ackman, Fisheries Research Board of Canada, Halifax, N. S.; and one on uses of fish oils, speaker yet to be arranged.

The water pollution symposium consists of speakers both from operating firms in industry as well as equipment manufacturers. Therefore, waste treatment problems and solutions will be reported. In the plant safety symposium, speakers from three of the companies who have had fires within the last two years in their plants will report and describe their problems.

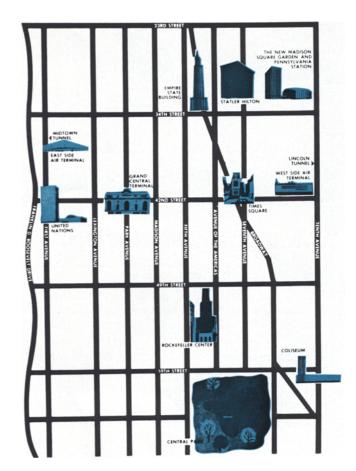
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The AOCS Fall Meeting, Oct. 20–23, 1968, will be held at the Statler Hilton Hotel, located in a central part of the city and convenient to transportation for nearly any section of the island. The weather in New York at that season is usually ideal for walking—cool, clear and crisp.

The theatres and shopping are, of course, unequaled, but writing ahead for theatre reservations is advisable. Aside from those obvious diversions, the list of sight-seeing opportunities is endless. The United Nations is a must, and the new Madison Square Garden, besides featuring sports events, has several outstanding restaurants.

Lincoln Center, comprising The Opera House, Philharmonic Hall, The Vivian Beaumont Theatre and the

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The Technical Program Committee is actively soliciting research and development papers in any areas of lipids, fats and oils. Please submit two copies of a 100 to 300 words abstract with title, authors, and speakers to Dr. Stephen S. Chang, Department of Food Science, Rutgers, The State University, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903, The State University, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903, if you wish to present a paper at this meeting. Abstract forms are available from the same address. Please remember that the deadline for receiving technical papers is JULY 18T, 1968.

Additional Symposia Named

In addition to the Marine Oil Symposium the following titles have been added to the program to come: 1) Higher Molecular Weight Lipids—V. Babayan, Chairman; 2) New Detergent Additives; 3) Hard Surface Detergents; 4) Water Pollution; 5) Plant Safety; 6) Drying Oils.

This is possibly the most diversified field of subject matter any technical meeting will have presented. The theme of the meeting, "Progress On All Frontiers in Fats and Oils" is truly a reality.

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New York State Theatre, is adding other buildings, such as the Juilliard Music School. The Coliseum, which is a short walk from the Hilton, usually has an interesting trade exhibit such as the Auto Show or Motor Boat Show.

If you are museum-minded, there are literally hundreds of these in the city. Notable are the Guggenheim and Whitney, two of the newest. The Metropolitan Museum of Art is open one evening a week. The Cloisters, on the upper tip of Manhattan Island, is a Medieval building transported to the United States and rebuilt here. A No. 4 Fifth Avenue bus will take you directly to it and at the same time provide a rewarding tour of parts of the city you might not otherwise see. At the other end of the island you can still ride the Staten Island Ferry for a nickel and see the Statue of Liberty, Governors Island and the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge. Another boat ride, which gives a different view of the city, is the Circle Line. It is a three-hour trip which takes you completely around the island.

Restaurants of nearly every country in the world can be found in New York: Greek, Polynesian, Japanese, Russian, French, etc. The classified telephone directory lists these by the type of cooking, and they are usually located in areas where the natives are of the country represented by the cuisine. Having tried your favorite native dish, take a ride around Central Park in a horse-drawn buggy.

The nontechnical side of this meeting promises to be, as can be seen, most rewarding. It is hoped that it will encourage AOCS' wives to bring their husbands to this most outstanding meeting.

Intensive Promotion of Japan Margarine Market Noted

The second year of an intensive multimedia market promotion for vegetable oil margarine in Japan has been launched through the team-work of the USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service, the Japanese margarine industry, and the American Soybean Association.

Japan's traditional use of whale and fish oil in the production of margarine has, unsurprisingly, given the spread an unsavory image. But a nation of 100 million increasingly affluent citizens is a highly attractive potential market and the impetus for the current 26 million yen (\$72,000) vegetable oil margarine promotional effort.



• Industry Item

The European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN), located near Geneva, Switzerland, has awarded to a European subsidiary of Varian Associates the largest vacuum pump contract ever placed. The order calls for delivery of 270 VacIon pumps at a total cost of approximately one-half million dollars. Varian was selected out of 13 prospective suppliers. Varian S.p.A. of Turin, Italy, will produce the pumps for CERN.

ASHLAND CHEMICAL COMPANY, a division of Ashland Oil & Refining Company, announced today it will construct office, warehouse and tank farm facilities in Indianapolis in a move designed to consolidate regional operations of the former Bronoco Solvents & Chemicals Company and Globe Chemical Company. Both Bronoco and Globe are now part of the Industrial Chemicals & Solvents Division of Ashland Chemical.

Successful start-up of a major Ethylene Amine Plant in Freeport, Texas, has been announced by The Dow Chemical Company. When the plant reaches full stream at the end of March, it will signal a doubling of Dow's ethylene amine production capacity. Ethylene amine is a major chemical intermediate used in the production of chelating agents, resins for wrinkle-proof finishes on cotton goods, and carbamates for use in fungicides.

The Dow Chemical Company is increasing the production capacity of its Dowicil 100 bactericide by 800,000 lb/yr. The additional capacity, on which construction began in November, should be on stream in August at Dow's Freeport, Texas, location. Dowicil 100, a water-soluble bactericide with fungicidal properties, was introduced commercally four years ago. Since then, it has found extensive use as a preservative in latex paints, floor polishes, adhesives, raw latex, joint cements, soluble cutting oil, inks, starches and numerous other systems.