67th ANNUAL SPRING MEETING

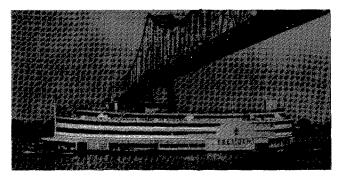
OF THE

AMERICAN OIL CHEMISTS' SOCIETY APRIL 21-24, 1976



The New Orleans Convention Committee, chaired by Nestor B. Knoepfler, is actively planning a gala meeting during the U.S. Bicentennial year for the enjoyment, edification, and education of members and their families.

Festivities will begin on the evening of April 21 with the traditional mixer at the Marriott Hotel. Members should plan to arrive in time to meet with all of their friends at this 6:30-7:30 p.m. event.



The steamer "President," which has one of the largest dance floors in New Orleans, has been chartered for an evening cruise with dancing and entertainment on April 22.

Thursday night, April 22, the New Orleans Committe will break with tradition. Instead of the formal banquet of previous conventions, participants will have an opportunity to cruise on the fabulous Mississippi River while enjoying a delicious buffet style dinner and getting a first hand view of the world's third busiest port. There will be dancing to the music of Chuck Credo and the Skylarks Orchestra. Larry Brown, entertainment chairman, has arranged the charter of the steamer "President" for the event. The dance floor is one of the largest in the city, and the orchestra will provide a cross section of music from nostalgic to present day rock. To add to the pleasure, there will be a floor show that will include Prestidigitation and Illusions by George MAN-Drake. The Skylarks will present an extensive show including Dixieland Jazz and specialty numbers. And for amusement, Cajun humorist Caliste Hebert (pronounced A-Bear) will share some of his views of life in general explained in hilarious anecdotes. In addition, there might be some surprises in store in the form of a special concert performed by some very special people.

Friday night is a special night in New Orleans. The committee has therefore scheduled no formal entertainment, since the 40th Spring Fiesta will commence with a ceremony at Jackson Square (Place d'Armes) which will include the queen's crowning and a historic pageant. Following the pageant will be one of the parades for which New Orleans is famous—complete with Southern Belles riding in old time carriages—which will traverse Royal Street

and Bourbon Street and pass right in front of the Marriott Hotel on its way to the Rivergate Convention Center. The best part of the Friday activities is their cost: they are free. In connection with the Spring Fiesta, tours of a number of historic mansions (still residences) will be conducted, all starting at the Spring Fiesta headquarters on Jackson Square, a three to four block walk from the Marriott Hotel. Tour tickets (about \$7.00 per person) will be available at the registration area during the convention. Spring Fiesta activities which may be of interest to 1976 convention participants are listed in the box on page 674.

On Saturday, April 24, the Inaugural Luncheon is scheduled from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel. Society awards will be presented to those winning recognition for excellence.

On the serious side of the convention, Technical Chairman Robert L. Ory and his committee have arranged a program with a broad spectrum of subject matter starting on Thursday morning and continuing through Saturday afternoon. In addition to the general papers, plans are well underway for the following symposia:

Aflatoxins in Oilseeds: Problems and Prevention (W.A. Pons, organizer), Lipid Oxidation and Flavor Research in Foods (Steven S. Chang and Thomas H. Smouse), Natural and Synthetic Antioxidants (Glen A. Jacobsen), Biochemistry of Fatty Acids (John Palsrud and James Hamilton), Oilseeds: New Foods for the Future (James A. Robertson), Engineering and Processing Technology of Oilseeds (Frank E. Sullivan), New Analytical Methods (Leonard H. Ponder), Detergents for the Future (Warner H. Linfield), Foods, Fats, and Food Labeling (David Firestone), Industrial Uses of Fats and Oils (Gerhard Maerker), and OSHA and EPA Safety in Oilseed Processing Plants (C. Louis Kingsbaker).

Ladies' Activities

The Ladies' Committee under chairman Becky Skau has organized a program of activities which they hope will again attract many AOCS wives to New Orleans.

On Thursday, a tour of the Louisiana Superdome will be featured with a luncheon at the Plimsoll Club on the 30th floor of the International Trade Mart. Friday will be devoted to a city tour with stops at St. Mary's Assumption Church, recently designated as a National Historic Landmark, and a visit to the Pitot House, an 18th century plantation on Bayou St. John. Luncheon at Delmonico's will follow.

Saturday's activities will begin with a stroll to Jackson Square for the Pirates Alley Art Show, an annual event of the Spring Fiesta. A buffet in the famed ballroom of the Bourbon Orleans will conclude the program.

Continental breakfasts at the Marriott will begin each day's activities.