AOCS Conference on

Dietary Fats and Health

CHICAGO Conrad Hilton Hotel, December 6-11, 1981

1,000 participants expected

Approximately 1,000 persons are expected to participate in the Conference on Dietary Fats and Health to be held Dec. 6-11, 1981, in the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago.

The meeting is being held to provide an objective forum for the review and discussion of current knowledge on the role of fats in nutrition, health and disease as well as to promote dialog and understanding among all interested persons. The conference is designed to bring together representatives of academia, government, health care professions and industry. A major goal of the conference will be to

identify areas where future research, education and information are needed.

The conference is expected to be of major interest to dietitians and nutritionists, physicians specializing in cardio-vascular disease and preventative medicine, food technologists, fats and oils researchers, and others who may be involved with dietary fats.

Each day will include plenary lectures, subplenary sessions, and informal discussion groups at which registrants may question speakers or comment upon the day's presentation.

The tentative program was published in the June JAOCS. Further information and registration/housing reservation forms are available from the American Oil Chemists' Society, 508 S. Sixth St., Champaign, Illinois 61820 USA.

Major topics for the five days of the meeting will be: Basic Overview of Fat Chemistry and Technology; Role of Fats in Nutrition; Current Views on Lipids in Coronary Heart Disease; Current Research on Lipids in Cancer; and Emerging Research on Dietary Fats and Nutrition.

A 29-member international committee has developed the program under the guidance of cochairmen Drs. E.G. Perkins, Department of Food Science, and Willard Visek, Schools of Basic Medical Science and Clinical Medicine, both of the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign.

Plenary lectures will be published after the conference as a monograph, which will be distributed to all registrants.



Toronto's visitor attractions

Toronto offers a wide range of attractions to visitors, from those who enjoy dining out, shopping and theater to those who prefer historical sights and sounds.

The AOCS' 73rd Annual Meeting will be held in Toronto's Sheraton Centre during May 2-6, 1982. The Sheraton Centre is in downtown Toronto, with numerous restaurants close by, and a shopping district at the front door.

Numerous theaters are also within walking distance. Toronto productions usually range from classical drama to improvisational comedy. Some combine dining and theater.

There are several historical sights in metropolitan Toronto. Historic Fort York consists of eight original buildings of stone, log and brick depicting military life in the 1800s. There are soldiers in 1812 uniforms performing military drills; pioneer cooking demonstrations are held in one of the kitchens. Fort York is approximately a mile from the Sheraton Centre along the Toronto waterfront.

The shoreline also is the location of several recreational complexes, including Harbourfront, The Toronto Island

(Centre Island) and Ontario Place. All have a diverse mixture of recreational and dining facilities, including activities especially for children.

The most prominent peak on the Toronto skyline is the CN Tower which is 533.33 meters (1,815 feet, 5 inches) high, with an observation deck at 1,136 feet up, and a revolving restaurant at 1,150 feet. The Tower is approximately eight blocks from the Sheraton Centre.

A tourist information center is located across the street from the Sheraton Centre for visitors' use.

Besides the attractions of Toronto, the meeting planners have scheduled the traditional social events for the AOCS meeting, including a mixer on the evening of May 2 and a dinner the evening of May 5.

Technical program information will be available in February 1982. Meeting registration and housing reservation forms will be available slightly sooner and should be published in the January *JAOCS*. Abstracts should be received by November 15, 1982 (see Call for Papers).

Call for papers

The technical program committee for the 73rd Annual Meeting of the American Oil Chemists' Society to be held May 2-6, 1982, in Toronto, is accepting abstracts for papers to be presented during that meeting. Persons wishing to present papers should submit three copies of a 100- to 300-word abstract with title, speaker and coauthors clearly indicated. Contributed papers are expected to be approximately 15 minutes, with five additional minutes for ques-

tions from the audience. Please indicate if you wish to make the presentation in a lecture-and-slide format or during a poster session. The technical program committee encourages presentation of poster session papers. Persons whose abstracts are accepted will be notified by the program committee. Mail abstracts to: Dr. James B.M. Rattray, 1982 AOCS Technical Program Chairman, Department of Chemistry, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, N1G 2W1, Canada. Abstracts must reach Dr. Rattray by Nov. 15, 1981, to be considered.

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 15, 1981.

Coatings technology courses

The Federation of Societies for Coatings Technology has published a 28-page guide to coatings courses, symposia and seminars. Free copies are available from the Educational Committee (Coatings Courses), c/o Federation of Societies for Coatings Technology, 1315 Walnut St., Suite 832, Philadelphia, PA 19107.

Of jogging pigs, dietary fats and health

During 1980, you may have seen a televised news report on jogging pigs at Arizona State University, where experiments sought to determine the relative importance of diet and exercise in heart disease.

This past June 16, 1981, the Wall Street Journal carried a follow-up report which said, among other things, that the jogging pigs developed shaplier legs. The pigs on fat-free and unsaturated fats had healthier blood samples than the fat-fed jogging pigs, the Wall Street Journal report said. A total of 54 pigs was involved, divided into different dietary and jogging groups.

The article concluded:

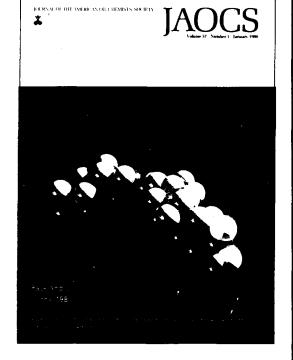
"Skeptics may question how pigs jog. Well, they jog around a track. The joggers worked up to about a mile a day. Unlike human joggers, the pigs were encouraged to jog by a student chasing them with a stick. Also, unlike human joggers, the pigs wound up on, rather than at, the dining table."

There was no explanation of how one judges if one pig's legs are shaplier than another pig's legs, or what type legs pigs prefer to see on other pigs as it is difficult to interview a true male chauvinist pig. Some observers may also wonder if the pigs' reluctance to jog does not indicate superior intelligence.

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