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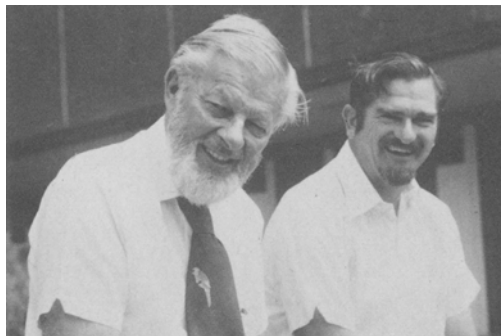
New Zealand report

Approximately 135 persons from 15 nations participated in the International Conference on Oils, Fats and Waxes held earlier this year at the University of Auckland in New Zealand.

The program consisted of 12 plenary lectures, with additional papers on topics related to processing, biochemical, analytical and nutritional aspects of fats and oils. In addition, there were poster papers and a trade exhibit.

Conference chairman Stanley G. Brooker said the conference was the first such meeting on lipids in Australasia. "In letters received since the conference, many delegates have expressed enthusiasm both for the scientific content and the social side of the Conference," Brooker wrote.

Plenary lecturers and their topics included Nobel Prize Winner Sune Bergstrom on prostaglandins; former AOCS President Ralph Holman on polyunsaturated fatty acids in nutrition and disease; Dr. M. Gurr of England on dietary fats in nutrition; Dr. Mark Hegsted of the United States on dietary guidelines; Dr. R.G. Ackman of Canada on marine lipids; and L.H. Princen of the United States on chemical modification of fat and oils for industrial uses.



Conference chairman S.G. Brooker, left, and vice-chairman Can Cambie

Dr. Holman served as official representative of the AOCS at the conference.

A proceedings is expected to be published this summer. Copies will be available for US \$20 plus \$5 postage and handling and may be ordered from Duromark Industries Ltd., P.O. Box 6989, Auckland, New Zealand. Checks in U.S. currency are acceptable.

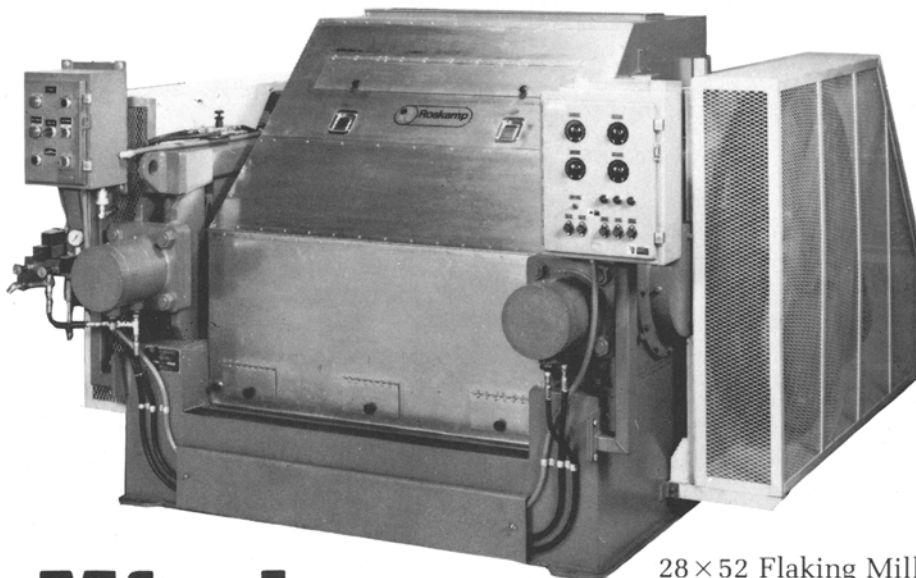
Dr. Brian Shorland, a pioneer fats and oils researcher in

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Brian Shorland accepts engraved tray



Robert Ackman with new hat

New Zealand, was presented with an engraved tray to recognize his status as "guru" of New Zealand lipid researchers, Brooker reported. Dr. Shorland presented a paper on his 50 years of fats and oils research. Shorland and Brooker are emeritus members of the AOCS.

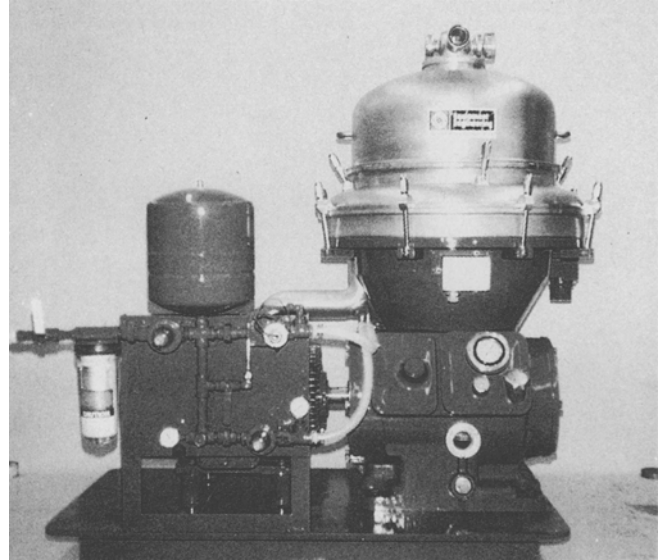
Robert Ackman, speaker at the official conference dinner, received a New Zealand white towelling hat to protect his head from New Zealand's sun. Among the other conference participants were long-time AOCS member Helmut Mangold and Marcel Loncin of Germany, Dr. I. Hara of Japan, L.A. Appelqvist of Sweden, and Kurt Berger of Malaysia.

One result of the conference, Brooker said, is increased interest in forming a New Zealand organization for fats and oils researchers.

EEC tax obstacle

Common Market specialists have determined that, under the Treaty of Rome, community revenue sources can be raised only with unanimous approval of the Council of

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Ministers followed by ratification by each national parliament, according to a report in *Oil World*. A tax on fats and oils had been proposed to meet increased subsidies to olive oil growers that will be required when Spain and Portugal become Common Market members. Unanimous approval among all ten current EEC members appears improbable, *Oil World* said.

Antwerp Days Sept. 28-30

The 6th Antwerp Oil and Fats Contact Days will be held Sept. 28-30, 1983, in Antwerp. Secretariat for the meeting is the Port of Antwerp Promotion Association, Brouwersvliet 33, bus 5, B-2000 Antwerpen, Belgium.

Topics and speakers will include: world soybean production, S. Meilke of *Oil World*; commercial arbitration by M. Mustill, a High Court of England judge; U.S. soybean future by Ken Bader, chief executive officer of the American Soybean Association; application and markets for tallows and greases by a U.S. National Renderers Association representative, and present and future EEC policy on fats and oils by R. Standing, administrator of the EEC Commission.

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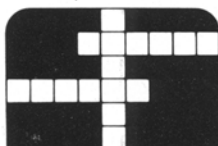
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