


Oil Chemists Meet At New Orleans

Twenty-first Annual Convention Featured by Enthusiastic Attendance and Many Interesting Scientific Papers

 N Thursday, May 8th, the Twenty-first Annual Meeting of The American Oil Chemists Society was called to order by President W. R. Stryker at the Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. There was present a large and representative gathering of the membership, including many from points quite distant from New Orleans.

After an Invocation by Reverend J. S. Land, of the St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church of New Orleans, the Meeting was officially opened by the President. The reading of the Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting was abridged, and after calling First Vice-President W. H. Irwin to the Chair, President Stryker delivered his Annual Address, which was referred to the Governing Committee.

J. C. P. Helm presented the Annual Report of the Secretary-Treasurer, which was referred to an auditing committee consisting of C. H. Cox, T. B. Caldwell and J. J. Ganucheau.

The reports of the Membership Committee, the Sampling Committee and the Governing Committee were next presented to the members. The report of the Sampling Committee was referred to the Committee on Uniform Methods.

At this point a diversion from the regular order of business was taken to receive an announcement in reference to the Golf Tournament from N. C. Hamner, Chairman of the Tournament Committee.

Dr. George S. Jamieson, Chemist in Charge of the Oil, Fat and Wax Laboratory of the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils of the United States Department of Agriculture, presented a scientific paper entitled "Rubber Seed Oil," which was received with great interest by the members present. Dr. Jamieson also submitted his final report on "Study of Methods of Cottonseed Analysis."

The reports of the Color Committee and the Refining Committee were submitted by the Chairmen, W. D. Hutchins and C. B. Cluff, respectively. Both reports were referred to

the Uniform Methods Committee for consideration and report to the Society.

The report of the Uniform Methods Committee was submitted to the Society by J. J. Vollertsen, Chairman, setting forth in detail the recommendations of the Committee covering the reports and work of the various methods committees. Upon motion, each recommendation of the Uniform Methods Committee was adopted by the Meeting. The report of the Uniform Methods Committee will be published in full in *Oil & Fat Industries*.

Thomas C. Law, Chairman of the Chemists' Committee of the National Cottonseed Products Association and Past President of the Oil Chemists' Society, addressed the Meeting on the relationship of the Methods of the Society and those of the Cottonseed Products Association. Mr. Law laid before the Meeting the recommendations of the Chemists' Committee of the Cottonseed Association for changes in the current methods, with particular reference to the incorporation of Seed Analysis Methods as developed by Dr. Jamieson. The Society adopted as Official the methods of Seed Analysis as developed by Dr. Jamieson and upon motion of Mr. Law, seconded by Mr. Vollertsen, a rising vote of thanks was extended to Dr. Jamieson for his valuable contribution to the Society's work in the development of these methods.

After appointment by President Stryker of Nominating and Resolutions Committee, the meeting was adjourned until the following day.

Second Day, May 9th

THE adjourned Annual Meeting was called to order by President Stryker at 9:45 A.M. on Friday, May 9th.

The report of the Soap Section was presented by W. H. Irwin in the absence of A. K. Church, Chairman. The Soap Section Report will be published in full in *Oil & Fat Industries*. Mr. Irwin also presented the reports of the Moisture Committee and of the Joint Com-

mittee on Fat Analysis of The American Chemical Society and the American Oil Chemists' Society.

The report of the Kreis Test Committee was submitted by A. S. Richardson, Chairman.

A most interesting paper entitled "Solvent Extraction—The New and Better Way," was presented by David Wesson. Dr. Wesson exhibited samples of refined cottonseed oil and cottonseed meal prepared by the extraction process which were both of the most superior appearance and quality.

The report of the Detergents Committee, in the absence of J. G. Vail, Chairman, was read by H. P. Trevithick.

Henry Stevens, Research Fellow of the National Cottonseed Products Association presented a paper on "Nutrition Studies on Cottonseed Meal."

W. H. Irwin submitted the reports of the Referee Examining Board and of the Committee on Publication of Methods, both of which reports have appeared in full in *Oil & Fat Industries*.

A. D. Barber, of the Ontario Research Foundation presented a scientific paper entitled "The Use of the Kaufman Thiocyanogen Value in Fat Analysis." Dr. Barber's paper was illustrated by means of lantern slides and evoked considerable interest and discussion.

In the absence of H. C. Moore, Chairman of the Smalley Foundation Committee, the report of this Committee was presented by G. Worthen Agee. Mr. Agee called attention to the exceptionally high average of analytical results obtained by the participants in the Smalley Foundation Check-meal analyses during the year just past. There was some discussion of the proposal to report nitrogen as nitrogen, rather than as ammonia, in order to follow the practice in reporting fertilizer analyses, but the consensus of the opinions of members present was that the present style of reporting, (as ammonia), should be continued.

A scientific paper entitled "Continuous Hydrogenation," descriptive of the Bolton and Lush continuous processes employing fixed permanent nickel catalyst, by E. L. Lush, was presented by Alan Porter Lee, representing Mr. Lush. Samples of various types of hydrogenated oils produced by the continuous process were exhibited and distributed to the members present.

Robert Schwarz presented a paper entitled "A Rapid Method for Determination of Fat Content in Cottonseed Meal and Meats," illustrating the new method by means of special apparatus devised for the purpose.

The special committees appointed at the Meeting on Audits and Resolutions then presented their reports. The Auditing Committee reported that upon examination of the books of the Secretary-Treasurer they found all accounts correct and in order and that all securities were checked by them and found to be correct as shown by the books. The Resolutions Committee recommended suitable action in respect to the members deceased during the past year, namely H. B. Battle, Lehman Johnson and John Kyle. The committee also proposed suitable resolutions of thanks to the Roosevelt Hotel for the facilities provided for the meeting, to the Metairie Country Club for the Golf Tournament arrangements and to the New Orleans members for their successful conduct of the meeting and their entertainment of the visiting members.

Upon motion, seconded, the Secretary-Treasurer was instructed by the Meeting to address letters of thanks to the donors of the various prizes for the golf tournament.

The Nominating Committee reported the following nominations:

For President: W. H. Irwin, Chicago, Illinois; First Vice-President: A. S. Richardson, Cincinnati, Ohio; Second Vice-President: M. M. Durkee, Decatur, Illinois; Third Vice-President: L. B. Forbes, Little Rock, Arkansas; Fourth Vice-President and Chairman Soap Section: Archibald Campbell, Cincinnati, Ohio.

No other nominations were received and all the officers as nominated by the Nominating Committee were unanimously elected to serve during the coming year.

The Governing Committee nominated the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. J. C. P. Helm, of New Orleans, Louisiana, to succeed himself in office and his re-election was also unanimous.

David Wesson announced that the Annual Banquet would be held on the same evening in the roof-garden restaurant of the Hotel Jung.

President Irwin assumed the Chair and there being no further business the Twenty-first Annual Meeting of the American Oil Chemists' Society was declared adjourned.

Referee Applicant

W. M. Black, of Augusta, Georgia, has applied for certification as Referee Chemist of the American Oil Chemists' Society. (*First publication.*)