

## NEWS

### CHICAGO FALL MEETING

The fall convention of The American Oil Chemists' Society will be held at the Drake hotel in Chicago on October 7, 8 and 9.

The program committee is now arranging for the papers to be presented at the scientific sessions.

All persons wishing to be included on the program should communicate with J. K. Gunther, Research Laboratories, Swift & Company, Chicago.

We hope that despite prevalent war conditions we shall be able to present a program up to or above the standard of previous meetings. All members and others interested are urged strongly to contribute.



An amendment to the Official Grain Standards of the United States for soybeans, making the air oven method the official basic method for determining moisture content, has been approved by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The amendment becomes effective Sept. 1, 1942.

The amendment followed a survey of the problem of determining the moisture content of soybeans and discussions of the proposal at public conferences held early in May. No changes are made in the maximum percentage limits of moisture in the respective grades for soybeans.

Copies of the amendment may be obtained from the Agricultural Marketing Administration, Washington, D. C., or from any field office of the Grain, Feed and Seed Branch of AMA.



For outstanding contributions to food technology, Dr. William V. Cruess of the University of California has been awarded the Nicholas Appert medal given by the Chicago Section of the Institute of Food Technologists.

The award was voted by a jury of nine eminent technologists representing as many different food fields and geographical areas. Presentation will be made during the annual meeting of the Institute of Food Technologists, held June 15-17 in Minneapolis.



Dr. Roy C. Newton, widely known nationally in the field of industrial chemistry, newly elected chairman of the Chicago section of the American Chemical Society, will assume office July 1. He is vice-president in charge of the Research Laboratories of Swift & Company.

Dr. Newton was chairman of the first National Chemical Exposition sponsored by the Chicago section and held in Chicago in December, 1940, and is active in the promotion of the second show to be held November 17-22 at the Stevens hotel.

"The coming exposition will be important to the allied war program because the United Nations are depending on the American chemical industry to solve many problems in providing alternates for critical materials such as rubber, metal and other basic substances in which there is a shortage," said Dr. Newton.

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