New Membership Directory To Be Published in January

THE publication of a new membership directory in January, 1945, has been authorized by the Governing Board of the Society. This will include a revised history of the Society and the constitution and by-laws.

Data for the membership list will comprise: name, home address, university and degrees, business connection, and year of membership.

A committee of three members will report at the fall meeting in Chicago about a suggested procedure to follow in the selection of a person to be awarded the Society medal each year for the most outstanding contribution to the oils and fats scientific world.

All dues paid by referee chemists in excess of their regular membership dues are to be made available to the Referee Board, or through the Referee Board to the appropriate committee, for support of the collaborative tests.

NEWS OF PEOPLE AND PRODUCTS

H. A. Schuette, professor of chemistry at the University of Wisconsin and president of the American Oil Chemists' Society in 1940, has just been elected president of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters for 1944.

Pvt. John J. Haney, former associate editor of Oil and Soap, is undergoing treatment for a lung infection in the Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colo. He was taken ill last October while serving with the signal corps in New Guinea. Pvt. Haney entered the service in August, 1942, after having been with the Journal since December, 1940.

Dr. Hussein T. Topouzada, of Cairo, Egypt, was a caller in the Chicago office on June 14. He wanted to buy a copy of the February issue. He is attached to the Egyptian government and is visiting government laboratories in this country.

Recent surveys indicating that nearly every manufacturing process involves chemistry in some way will materially influence the selection of speakers for the National Industrial Chemical Conference, which will be a feature of the third national Chemical Exposition to be held in the Coliseum at Chicago on November 15 to 19. The conference and show are sponsored by the Chicago section of the American Chemical Society.

Reconversion offers no problem to the paint industry, the Post-War Planning Committee of the National Paint, Varnish, and Lacquer Association reveals. "We will not be delayed by the necessity for re-tooling when the green light flashes on." the new issue of Looking Toward Tomorrow points out. "Any lag will be occasioned by lack of raw materials or containers, slowness of our biggest customers in getting started, and our own lack of energy in promoting the sale of our products."

J. R. Fleming, Weatherford, Texas, was the subject of a biographical article in the Weatherford Democrat

on April 20, 1944, which described his pioneer work in the production of peanut oil, cake, and meal. His experience in processing cotton seed, peanuts, and pecans began back in 1907. The first time he tried to ship a carload of peanut oil, it was discovered that peanut oil was not listed in the railroad tariff schedules. It took three days of wiring and telephoning to get the car moved, and then it had to be labelled cottonseed oil.

The Saltville, Va., plant of the Mathieson Alkali Works was awarded the Navy E on June 19 for high production of war materials. Caustic soda and soda ash are two of its most important products.

A new insecticide laboratory for the biological and chemical testing and control of Thanite as a further service to manufacturers of insecticides has been placed in operation at Brunswick, Ga., by **Hercules Powder Company.** The product is developed from turpentine and pine oil.

There are no restrictions on the uses of glycerine now that the War Food Administration has revoked WFO 34, according to the Association of American Soap and Glycerin Producers, Inc., New York City.

Paris green, now being produced in large quantities at the Boundbrook, N. J., division of the Sherwin-Williams Company, has been found to have such powerful toxic action that less than one ten-millionth of a gram can destroy a mosquito larva. It is being used in the war against malaria.

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