

Short Course in Vegetable Oil Technology Aug. 16-21 in Urbana

THE first short course in fat and oil technology ever offered by the American Oil Chemists' Society will be given on August 16-21, 1948 at Urbana, Ill., in cooperation with the University of Illinois, according to J. P. Harris, chairman of the special Education Committee appointed first by President S. O. Sorensen in 1946 and reappointed by President R. T. Milner in 1947.



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Other members of the committee are A. R. Baldwin, Corn Products Refining Company, Argo, Ill.; R. R. King, Mrs. Tucker's Foods, Inc., Sherman, Texas; H. R. Kraybill, American Meat Institute, Chicago.

The Committee and Dr. Milner met in Urbana on January 27 with R. B. Browne, dean of the extension service and dean of the summer session, Robert K. Newton, extension specialist, and T. S. Hamilton, professor of animal nutrition, following extensive preliminaries on the part of Dr. Milner and Professor Hamilton during recent months. It was decided to put the emphasis on the technology of edible vegetable oils for this first course, to limit the enrollment to a selected 50, and to issue certificates. Field trips to nearby plants are to be a feature of the short course, which will offer something like 20 lectures in air-conditioned Gregory hall by top flight men in all aspects of vegetable oil production, marketing, processing, and utilization.

Registration fee will be \$10, and the Inman hotel in Champaign will be reserved for food and lodging. Inquiries concerning the short course may be sent to the Society headquarters, 35 E. Wacker drive, Chicago, Ill.

Kishlar Asks for Proxies

ON BEHALF of the revised charter, constitution, and by-laws of the American Oil Chemists' Society proposed by the special committee, of which Lamar Kishlar of the Ralston Purina Company, St. Louis, is chairman, the active members of the Society have just been sent explanatory letters and proxies so that they may vote by mail. A favorable two-thirds vote of the membership is essential to pass the new regulations. Also serving on the committee are other past presidents: G. W. Agee, H. S. Mitchell, A. A. Robinson, and the incumbent president, R. T. Milner.

The committee has been at work for nearly three years studying the records of other organizations and formulating changes for the Society. The revised charter meets the requirements of the incorporation state for the Society, which is Louisiana.



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Proxies are to be signed and returned to Mr. Kishlar at the Ralston Purina Company, St. Louis, and the two-thirds necessary vote will be based on the number of members in the Society as of May 6, 1948. In view of the two-thirds requirement every member is urgently requested to submit his proxy. Failure to obtain a two-thirds response from the membership jeopardizes the adoption of needed modernizations in the constitution and by-laws as proposed by the committee.

Elect Officers by Mail

ELECTION of officers by mail will be scheduled shortly by the Nominating and Election Committee of the American Oil Chemists' Society, of which S. O. Sorensen, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Minneapolis, is chairman. Ballots will be sent out, with proxy enclosures, so that each active member may cast his vote for the 1948-49 candidates for office. Nominating deadline was February 10, and a slate is under preparation by the committee, of which the other members are H. C. Dormitzer, Wilson and Company, Chicago; J. P. Harris, Industrial and Chemical Sales division, West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company, Chicago, T. H. Hopper, Southern Regional Research Laboratory, New Orleans, and J. H. Kirby, Humko Company, Memphis.

By tradition the first vice president is nominated for president, in this case C. P. Long of Procter and Gamble Company, Cincinnati; and in accordance with the by-laws the fourth vice president must be a soap man.

Election results will be announced at the annual meeting on May 6 in New Orleans at the Roosevelt hotel.

Plans are being made for a centennial celebration by the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE, to be held in Washington during September, 1948, with Harlow Shapley as chairman. Key-note will be "one world of science."

Commercial production of a new series of sulphonated fatty esters from vegetable sources is announced by E. F. DREW AND COMPANY inc., Boonton, N. J. They are called Sulphonated Estols.