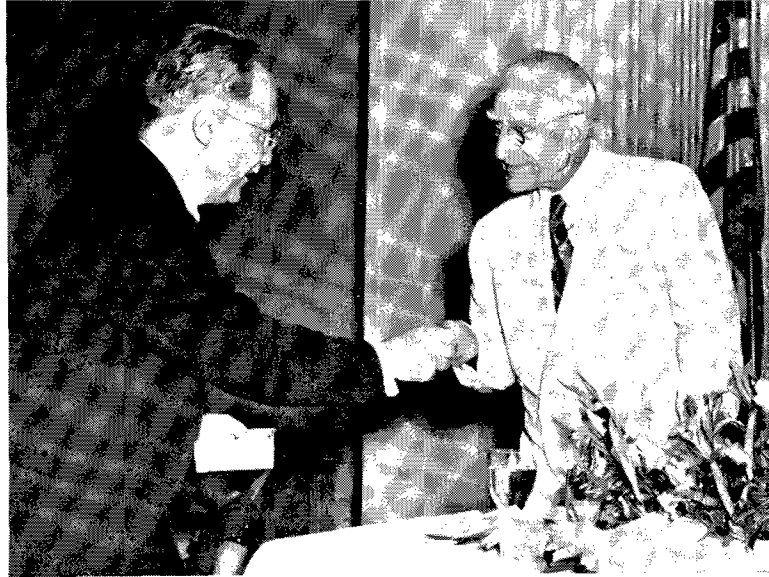




REGISTRATION—Mr. Paquin receives his badge from Carl P. Brenner of the Atlanta Committee on Monday morning, prior to the opening of the spring meeting.

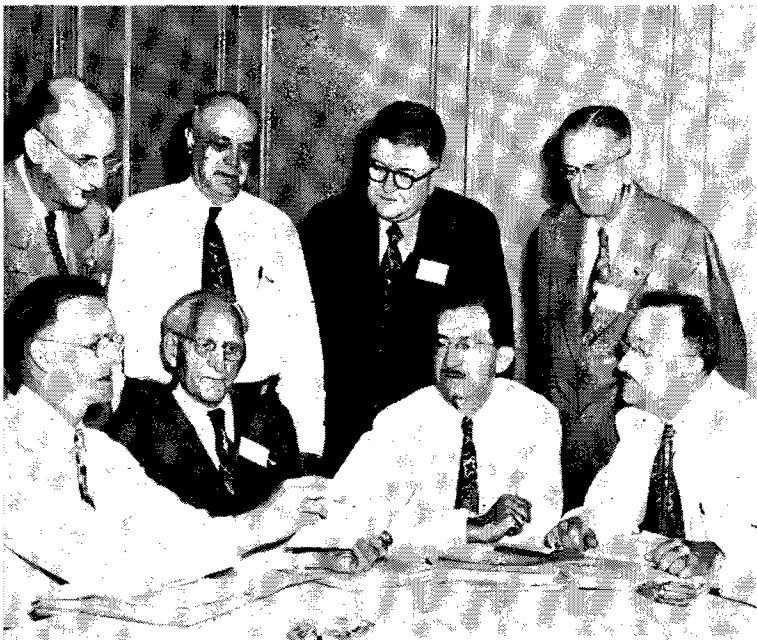


PRESIDENTIAL KEY—In his turn Mr. Paquin receives from Lamar Kishlar one of the keys given to past presidents at the banquet on Tuesday evening, May 2.

First President Inspects Society Activities at 41st Spring Meeting in Atlanta

FELIX PAQUIN, charter member, president pro tem in 1909, and president in 1910 of the Society of Cotton Products Analysts, predecessor to the American Oil Chemists' Society, came as usual to the annual meeting from his laboratories in Galveston, Texas. He is now 84 years old, but his interest in and affection for the Society have never flagged. He took part in all the activities of the spring meeting and chatted with his many friends and admirers in the lounge of the Atlanta Biltmore hotel, scene of the social events and technical programs.

Two innovations may be credited to Mr. Paquin. Back in 1944 at his cocktail party for past presidents an annual dinner was suggested, and since the first in 1946 this has become one of the most enjoyable and exclusive events of each spring convention. This year of 1950 with the help of Lamar Kishlar he instituted the custom of giving each past president a key, at the bottom of which is attached a tiny gavel. All past presidents in attendance at the 1950 meeting were given their keys in a ceremony conducted by Mr. Kishlar at the banquet on May 2, and keys for the absentees were mailed out later.



UNIFORM METHODS— Dropping in at the committee meeting, Mr. Paquin is told of current activities. Left to right (seated) are J. T. R. Andrews, chairman, Mr. Paquin, M. M. Durkee, J. J. Ganucheau; (standing) R. R. King, T. H. Hopper, L. B. Parsons, T. C. Law.

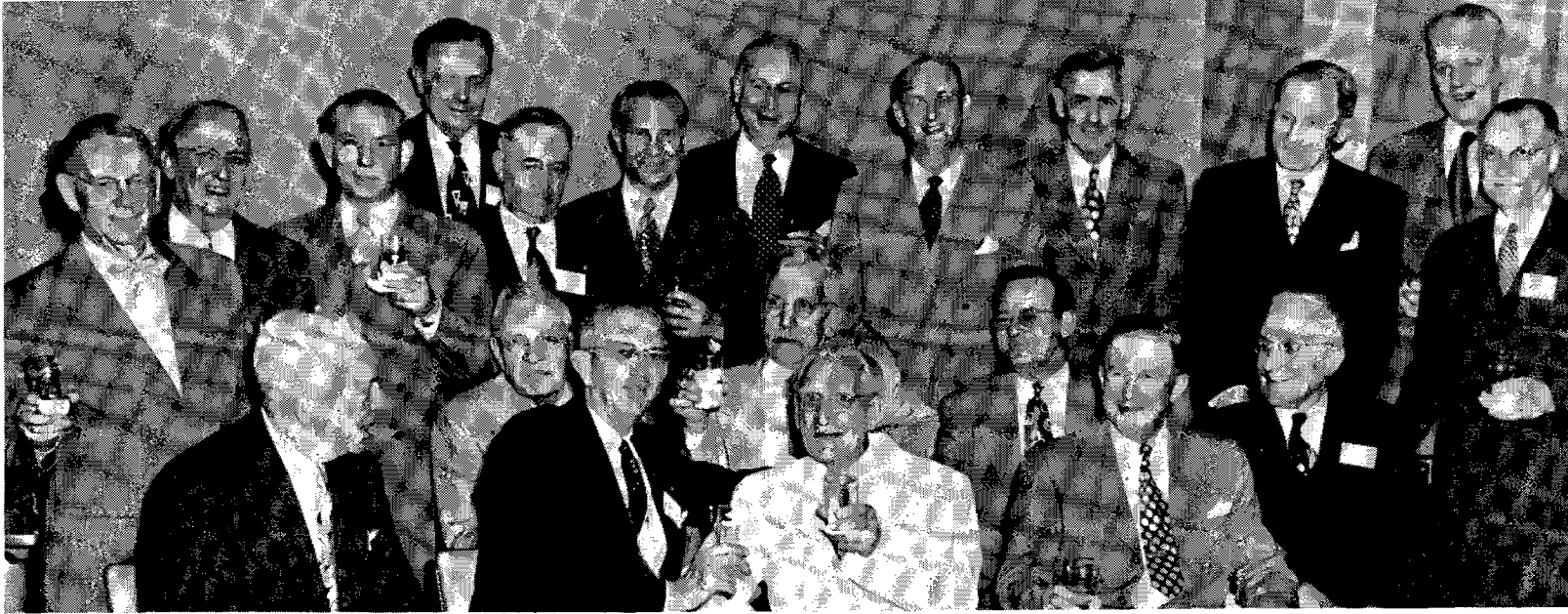
...and ASKS GOVERNING BOARD



EDUCATION — Mr. Paquin makes a point about short course plans with (left to right) K. F. Mattil, A. R. Baldwin, and J. P. Harris, chairman.

NEW OFFICERS — In the library for a little chat about the Governing Board is Mr. Paquin with W. H. Goss (seated), H. C. Bennett (left), and C. E. Morris.





PAST PRESIDENTS—The Capital City club in Atlanta is the scene of the annual dinner, a tradition begun enthusiastically in New Orleans in 1946. Present are (l to r, first row) E. R. Barrow, T. C. Law, Mr. Paquin, G. W. Agee (second row) J. J. Vollertsen, N. C. Hammer, V. C. Mehlenbacher, and F. B. Porter;

(third row) C. H. Cox, E. C. Ainslie, K. S. Markley, C. P. Long, Lamar Kishlar, R. R. King, W. D. Hutchins, H. A. Schuette, H. C. Dormitzer; (fourth row) A. S. Richardson, J. P. Harris, J. R. Mays Jr. The president-elect—in this case Mr. Mays—is invited to attend and put on probation.



FAREWELL—Retiring member of the Governing Board, R. R. King, is given a warm handclasp by Mr. Paquin in appreciation of his many services to the Society.

OIL COLOR—Deeply interested in the work of this committee, Mr. Paquin is seeing the latest report, flanked by G. W. Agee, chairman (left), and Procter Thomson. Standing are F. R. Earle (left), substituting for Duncan Macmillan, and R. C. Stillman.

FOR PERMISSION TO SET UP TRUST FUND FOR ANNUAL AWARD

CYCLORAMA — On tour with the ladies Tuesday Mr. Paquin sees the famous painting and diorama of the battle of Atlanta. With him are Mrs. H. A. Schuette (left), Mrs. V. C. Mehlenbacher, and Mrs. J. R. Mays Jr. (right).



On May 3 at the meeting of the new Governing Board Mr. Kishlar, acting as spokesman for Mr. Paquin, asked permission to set up a trust fund, interest from which would be used annually to provide a similar key for each outgoing president. The Board approved the request and stipulated that the fund should be named the Felix Paquin Foundation.

By May 15 Mr. Paquin had arranged for the purchase of a \$500 U.S. G bond and sent it to the national headquarters. Thus the Foundation has quickly become a reality, thanks to the inspiration and generosity of the first president of the Society.

A biographical sketch of Quebec-born Felix Paquin appears in the March 1946 issue of Oil and Soap and in the special volume on "Presidents and Committees of the American Oil Chemists' Society" (1947).