pounds are included. For about 400 of these the data are unfortunately not given, but the author and reference and a list of the available constants are cited. In many cases the preferred method of purification is outlined.

This volume is not meant to be a substitute for the International Critical Tables or similar tabulations. It will have special uses of its own because of the highly critical manner in which the data have been selected. It will provide standards for the estimation of the purity of specimens of organic compounds, and it will obviously constitute an excellent source of literature references to proven methods of purification and to accurate methods and techniques of physical measurement.

Professor Timmermans is to be commended for seeing the need for these tables and for undertaking the gigantic task involved. They will be of incalculable value to all scientists who are interested in working with pure organic compounds.

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A full range of chemical products representing nearly all the leading British chemical houses will be shown at the 1951 British Industries Fair, in London and Birmingham, England, from April 30 to May 11. Engineering exhibits will also be shown concurrently.

D. D. Walker, formerly with the Owensboro (Ky.) Grain Company, has been named superintendent of the soybean solvent extraction plant now under construction by the Funk Bros. Seed Company of Bloomington, Ill. This plant will be one of the first large units to use trichlorethylene as solvent.

Edward G. Egan has been appointed head of the Chemical Department of the American Mineral Spirits Company, New York.

E. F. Scherubel Dies

Erwin F. Scherubel, one of the 20 charter members of the Society of Cottonseed Products Analysts which later changed its name to the American Oil Chemists' Society, was killed in an automobile collision on January 25, 1951. He had retired from Swift and Company, Chicago, in 1944.

Mr. Scherubel, who was born at Beaver Dam, Wis., February 5, 1879, was graduated from the University of Chicago in 1903. He then entered the employ of Swift and Company and a few years later was made assistant chief chemist. About 1915 he entered the plant operating division, where he continued until his retirement. His professional work was in soaps, fats and oils. He served as abstractor and editor in these fields for Chemical Abstracts, publication of the American Chemical Society. He was a college classmate of J. J. Vollertsen.

The first industry-wide meeting of the scientific instrument and laboratory apparatus makers and distributors since the military emergency began will be held April 15-18 at the Greenbrier hotel, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. It will be the 33rd annual meeting of the Scientific Apparatus Makers Association, with an anticipated attendance of 350 representatives from 190 companies.

Three silicone alkyd coating resins are announced by the Plaskon Division, Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company, Toledo, O., as the first chemically combined silicone alkyds resins, commercially available,

