

Lectures of the 1952 Short Course on Soaps and Synthetic Detergents

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Foreword

THE fourth in the series of short courses sponsored by the American Oil Chemists' Society was held during the week of July 6-11, 1952. Previous courses were given in 1948, 1949, and 1950. This year's course presented a general review of soaps and syndets and their raw materials and was arranged in cooperation with State University of New Jersey, Rutgers, at New Brunswick, N. J. As in previous years, the course was deemed a success by the participants, both from the technical and social points of view. Registration for the course included 120 men and 1 woman.

A new residence hall was made available for the exclusive occupancy of the men taking the course. Meals were served to the participants in the adjoining commons.

Under the leadership of a different chairman for each of the five days, four lectures were given every morning. A lecture on a somewhat more general topic was also given each evening after dinner. Many thanks are due those who contributed of their experience and knowledge in preparing and delivering these lectures without remuneration and at their own expense. Plant visits were made by groups on four afternoons, to Colgate-Palmolive-Peet in Jersey City, Lever Brothers in Edgewater, J. Howard Smith in Port Newark, and Woburn Chemical in Kearny, N. J. These trips enabled participants to view the operations involved in large-scale production of soaps and syndets as well as their raw materials.



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Appreciation and thanks are extended to Maurice A. Chaffee, director of the University Extension Division, for the pleasant and comfortable arrangements made at Rutgers University. Credit for success of the course is also due the general committee on arrangements.

The various technical lectures have been assembled and put into form for publication, thanks to the fine editorial work of the Journal editor and the members of his staff.

FOSTER DEE SNELL
chairman

Address of Welcome

IT was a real pleasure to welcome to our campus some 125 oil chemists on July 6 of this year. They came from many states of the Union to spend five days in an intensive short course in Soaps and Synthetic Detergents.

Rutgers University, the State University of New Jersey, entertains many adult groups from many different professions each year. I compliment the oil chemists by saying that they number among the finest of the groups which we have had visit us.

I wish also to praise Foster Dee Snell and his entire committee for their untiring efforts in arranging the program and details that made this course so successful. I enjoyed very much working with this committee.

The university extends an open invitation to the American Oil Chemists' Society to return to our campus at some future date with any course that will assist them in their educational efforts.

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