

Announce Tentative Plans for 1953 Short Course in Texas

PRELIMINARY plans for the 1953 short course, to be given by the American Oil Chemists' Society July 27-31 at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, College Station, Tex., have been announced by J. D. Lindsay, chairman. The general subject will be engineering aspects of oil extraction and oil processing.

Papers will discuss various methods of processing oil seeds, also modern methods of oil refining and conversion to commercial products. Those on extraction will cover expelling, pre-pressing, and solvent extraction. Oil processing will be broken down into chemical refining to crude oil itself as well as oil dissolved in a solvent. Also to be discussed will be refining by liquid-liquid extraction and subsequent treatment to form such products as margarine and shortening. Following these introductory papers, there will be a discussion of the engineering aspects of operation and equipment.

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Tentatively the week will run like this: lectures Monday morning, inspection of college facilities in the afternoon, and semi-technical movie in the evening; lectures Tuesday, with barbecue in the evening; lectures Wednesday morning, inspection trip to processing plant for seed cotton, cotton plantation, and gin in the afternoon, with a banquet in the evening; lectures again Thursday, with an informal supper and panel discussion; and an inspection trip of the Houston area Friday, including hydrogen and hydrogenation plants, solvent extraction of rice bran oil, and a tour of the chemical industries section.

Members of the short course committee, besides Dr. Lindsay, are H. D. Fincher, Anderson, Clayton and Company, Houston; E. A. Gastrock, Southern Regional Research Laboratory, New Orleans; W. D. Harris and A. Cecil Wamble of Texas A & M.

THE course will be held under the direction of the Education Committee of the Society, which comprises S. O. Sorensen, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Minneapolis, chairman; A. R. Baldwin, Corn Products Refining Company, Argo, Ill.; W. H. Goss, Pillsbury Mills Inc., Minneapolis; H. R. Kraybill, American Meat Institute, Chicago; K. F. Mattil, Swift and Company, Chicago; Francis Scofield, National Paint, Varnish, and Lacquer Association, Washington, D. C.; and D. H. Wheeler, General Mills Inc., Minneapolis.

Inquiries about the course may be sent to the national office of the Society at 35 E. Wacker drive, Chicago 1, Ill. Information about fees will be available soon.

Fatty Acids Drop

Fatty acid production in September totalled 27,772,000 pounds, declining slightly from the August level. Shipments rose slightly, to a total of 29.2 million pounds as compared with 28.8 in August. This rise was concentrated in the saturated acid class, particularly lauric-type acids.

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