A. O. C. S. Commentary

### Service Includes Handling of Technical Correspondence

N<sup>o</sup> DOUBT all A.O.C.S. members are familiar with the romantic development whereby a group of Cotton Products Analysts, who had organized to develop and standardize analytical methods to govern trading in those products, became the leading scientific society in the world dealing with all fatty oil products.

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industries at home and abroad.

for instance.

products.

So the membership may take pride in the fact that the Society actually is predominant in this field, not only in number of members and in publishing the best journal of its kind in the world but also in its service to the fatty oil

Surprisingly enough, one-third of the subscriptions to the Journal are from readers outside of the United States, and this covers countries all over the world, particularly where there is any considerable production of fatty oil products; 276 of the Society's membership are from outside the United States,

A<sup>S</sup> THE SOCIETY and its Journal have developed, the need for specialized services has naturally increased. Uninvited, many members and subscribers to the Journal both at home and abroad have written in to clarify points which have been brought to their attention through publication of original papers or to obtain information covering their processes or their

So it became necessary to appoint a Technical Correspondent to handle this mail in order to place the inquiring member or subscriber in touch with the best available source of information. The job was most capably performed by R. J. Vander Wal for about five years until 1954, and this editorial is to

inform the membership. Probably it will give a better picture of what this service means to quote from a few of the many letters which are received



J. P. Harris

each week by the Society. So the following is offered:

#### From South Africa

We are subscribers to the Journal and have been studying copies of it for the past four years and have found them very helpful indeed.

I recently commenced work on the color of solvent-extracted oils, working along the lines that different fatty acids corroled the mild steel and formed iron compounds which produced, in turn, various colors in the resultant oil. It was only recently I discovered that a certain amount of work has already been done on this subject.

I would be much obliged if you could advise me as to where I could obtain the most up-to-date information on this subject.

#### From Japan

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- 3. Can you give us any suggestions as to what would be an advantageous use of cottonseed hulls with some lint on, which now we are using as fuel?

While we thank you for your past assistance, we thank you in anticipation for the present, and beg you to let us know if there is any expense to pay.

### From Egypt

Our firm has at present a project of constructing a new small plant for the production of castor oil, having a daily output of one ton. This being a new experience for us, we should be grateful if you would supply us with information about the most modern equipment and the firms supplying this equipment.

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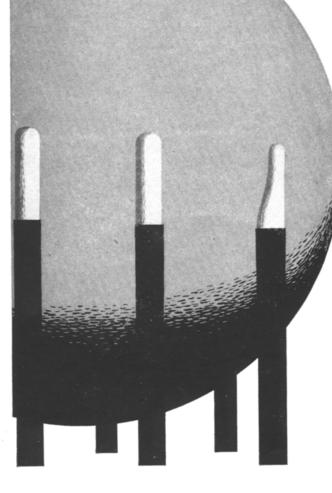
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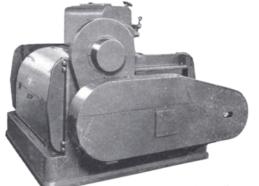
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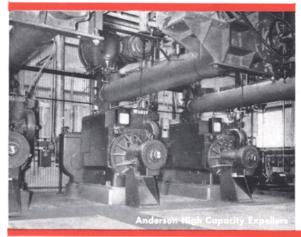


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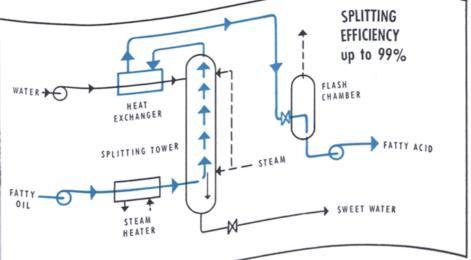
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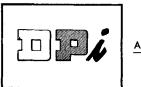
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### and the battle of the sexes

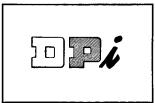
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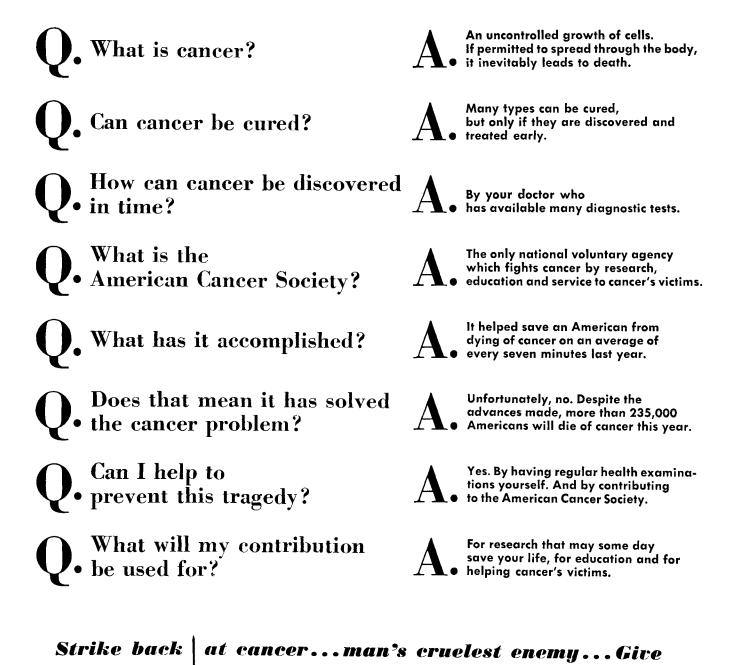
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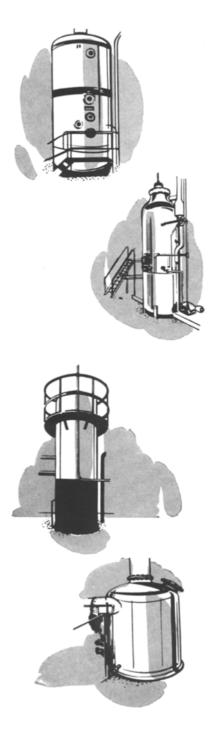
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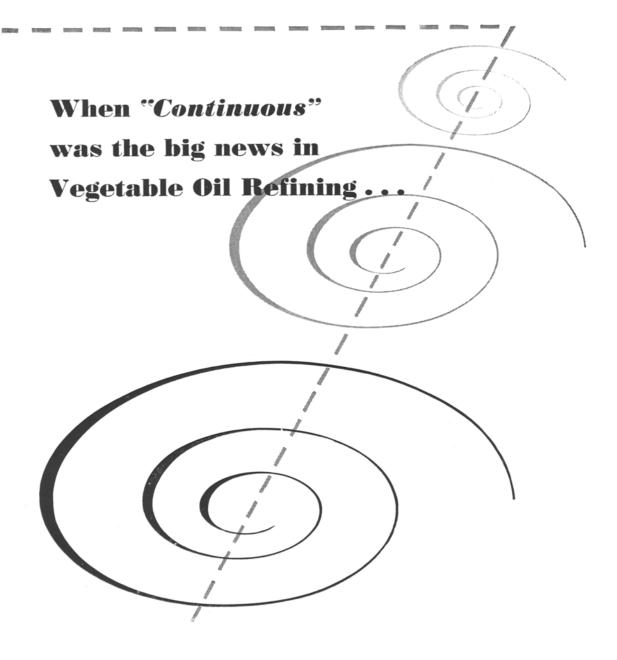
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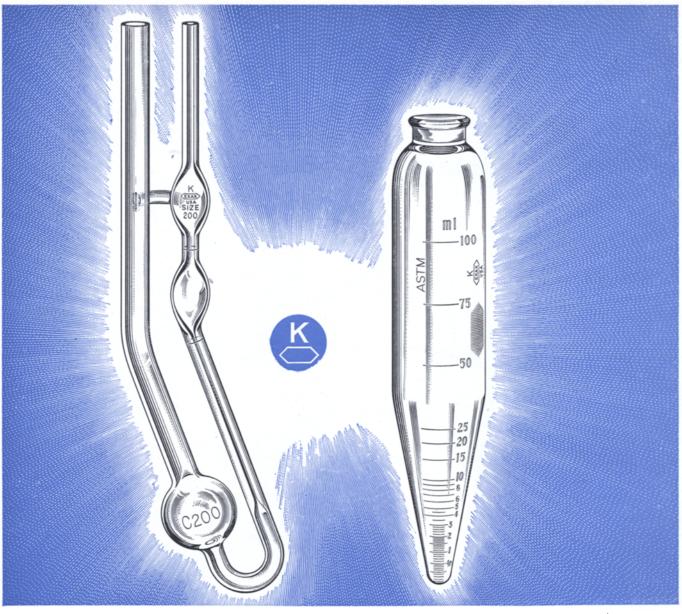
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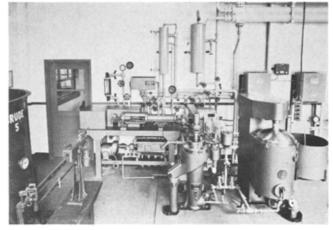
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### A.O.C.S. Commentary

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These are just "run of mine" inquiries which the Technical Correspondent received during a recent two-week period. About two or more of these inquiries are received each week. The current Technical Correspondent wishes to acknowledge with most sincere thanks the able help he has received from several members of the Society upon whom he has imposed. Actually the Society is indebted to them rather than to him for the services rendered.

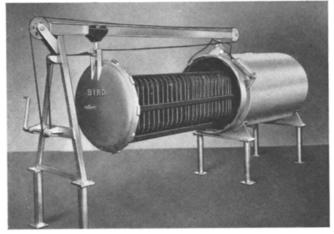
It should be understood that the Technical Correspondent makes no pretense of acting as a consulting engineer or of making recommendations as to whose apparatus of equipment to purchase. If engineering services are desired, he refers the inquirer to all of those consultants best qualified to serve, and if equipment or apparatus is desired, all sources are given.

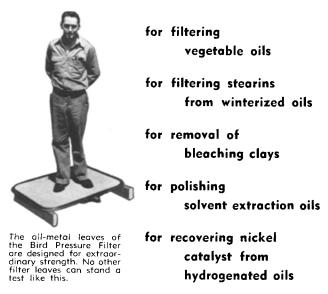
THIS WORK extends and supplements the services of the Society, which now include:

- 1. Holding of two annual meetings (fall and spring), at which new methods, techniques, and research in fatty oil products and committee reports are made available to the membership and the general business of the Society is conducted.
- 2. Uniform methods of fat analysis are developed.
- 3. Short Courses covering the extended education of young members and refresher for older members.
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