

*Where are we going? How will we get there?*  
The most pertinent and professional answer is to be found in the first column below, which describes the committee activities now under way for the 58th Annual Spring Meeting in New Orleans. The symposia and session titles in themselves indicate the aims of research in view and in progress, as conducted by AOCS members and by others concerned with the fats and oils field.

## New Orleans: Destination for 58th AOCS Annual Spring Meeting

PLANNING AND OTHER ACTIVITIES in preparation for the 58th Annual Meeting of the AOCS in New Orleans, Louisiana, have been in progress for many months, and are nearing completion. The Spring Meeting dates are May 7-10, 1967; the place, the Roosevelt Hotel, scene of many past meetings of the Society.

The New Orleans Committee is again under the leadership of R. T. O'Connor, who serves as General Chairman. He is assisted by C. L. Hoffpauir, Vice-Chairman and Adviser; Mrs. N. B. Knoepfler, Ladies' Entertainment Chairman; H. P. Dupuy, Technical Program Chairman; E. A. Gastrock, Treasurer; N. B. Knoepfler, Registration Chairman; J. P. Hughes, Publicity Chairman; L. E. Brown, Entertainment Chairman; W. S. Singleton, Hotel Reservations Chairman; W. A. Pons, Jr., Hotel Arrangements; F. C. Magne, Golf; L. A. Goldblatt, Consultant; and H. L. E. Vix, Consultant.

Members of the Program Committee have been working for months with other members who are organizing the following symposia: 1) "Composition and Analysis," organized by I. A. Wolff; 2) "Lipid Mono and Biolayers," R. M. Burton and R. J. VanderWal; 3) "Fatty Acid Metabolism," Salih Wakil and George Rouser; 4) "Processing Technology of Oil-Bearing Materials," K. W. Becker; 5) "Tung Oil," Guy Wilson; 6) "Methodology of Surfactants," T. H. Liddicoet; 7) "Water Pollution," W. W. Pearson and Norman Witte. In addition, M. R. Sahasrabudhe is organizing a technical session entitled "Food Additives."

Dr. Liddicoet is organizing a session on "Soaps and Detergents," in addition to the symposium listed above.

A program for the entertainment of the ladies attending is being arranged by Mrs. Knoepfler and her committee. Members can count on the annual golf tournament, of course, and social events in the lively and companionable AOCS tradition are being arranged. The *Journal* will carry added details as plans for the meeting progress.

OUR FIRST 1967 DESTINATION is New Orleans, where no less than 34 AOCS Spring Meetings have been held since the first meeting of the founding group in 1914.

The means of travel could include any one of the 13 airlines which serve the city. (A special AOCS group flight is described under "Section News," page 567A, this issue.) Eight railroads making connections with leading cities in 28 states, operate in New Orleans, as well as two bus lines.

New Orleans is too well known to require a detailed travelogue to entice visitors. Newcomers to AOCS and to New Orleans may, however, wish to be reminded of the Vieux Carre, or French Quarter, which embodies the old-world elegance of New Orleans. They will wish to see Jackson Square, with the Saint Louis Cathedral; the Cabildo, where the Louisiana Purchase, "the greatest real estate deal of all time," was consummated; the Garden District, reflecting the grandeur of the city's early dreams; the French Market; and Bourbon Street.

Although New Orleans represents three centuries of unique and colorful history, visitors may find their interest drawn to more recent events and changes in the city. The Saturn rocket booster production plant, part of the NASA-Michoud Assembly Facility, is located 15 miles east of downtown New Orleans. Under construction here are the Saturn IV and Saturn V space vehicles which will enable the United States to explore the moon and beyond.

Another major change in the city has been effected by the project, the Mississippi River-Gulf Outlet, designed to cut off 40 miles from the sea to the port. This project has led to the rapid development of New Orleans East, an area of 50 square miles within city limits.

Like the city itself, AOCS can point with pride and pleasure to both the new and old in its heritage; as with all of its meetings, this one will reflect the growth which is the Society's responsibility and the outward reflection of its purpose.