

Northeast Section 8th Annual Symposium

On April 15, the Northeast Section of the AOCS had its 8th Annual Symposium entitled, "New Processing Techniques." Eighty-two members and guests attended this lively and enlightening meeting.

In the absence of Giacomo Perolo of Drew Produtos Quimicos, Ltda., Sao Paulo, Brasil, George Raupp of Drew Chemical Company gave a talk with accompanying slides. The title was "Continuous Winterization." The presentation included the development of the process from batch, to semi-continuous, to fully continuous operation. It was well documented with some interesting economic aspects of operation.

Mrs. Lois Crauer of De Laval Separator Company, Poughkeepsie, New York, was the second speaker, and her talk was on "Continuous Acidulation." No doubt she is an expert on the subject. Lois also included De-Laval's entry into the field of pollution reduction with continuous neutralization of vegetable oil refinery wastes.

The third speaker was S. N. Weissman of Allied Chemical Corporation, and his talk covered "Packaging of Plastic Fats" in Rigid PVC containers. Considerable discussion followed his talk.

The luncheon Guest Speaker was P. M. O'Conne, who is Commodity Manager of Drew Chemical Corporation. His talk was titled, "Lauric Oils" and discussed the past, present and possible future pricing of this ever fluctuating oil.

The afternoon session started off with D. F. Bress, Head of Process Division of Agricultural Products and Specialty Chemicals of Foster Wheeler Corporation. The paper was entitled, "Distillation of Crude Tall Oil." Mr. Bress' presentation included not only separation of the fatty acids from the rosin, but also mentioned some of the problems associated with the processing of tall oil, its degradation and pollutants.

The final talk was presented by G. J. Miller, Division Systems Manager of the Foxboro Company. His topic was "Instrumentation and Computerization." Mr. Miller not only covered the field in an entertaining manner, but gave good, hard economic points on over instrumentation.

Manuchehr Eijadi and his associates should be congratulated for putting together an excellent program. Manny may be assigned as a permanent chairman if programs like this continue. This is his second year as Chairman.



A. M. Rossetto, NOCS President.



A. N. Wrigley, NOCS Secretary; Robert Casparian, NOCS Board Member; and D. J. Meshnick, NOCS Treasurer.



D. F. Bress (speaker) and F. B. White.



Manuchehr Eijadi and Lois Crauer.



George Raupp.



G. J. Miller.



Frank Naughton, S. S. Chang (AOCS Vice-President), D. S. Fritz, A. M. Rossetto and P. M. O'Conne.