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10 named to short course faculty



The AOCs Short Course on Industrial Fatty Acids will cover the latest information from raw materials to future developments, technical program chairman N.O.V. Sonntag has promised.

The staff for the short course is headed by Dr. Sonntag and local chairman G. Maeker, chief of the animal fat laboratory at the USDA's Eastern Regional Research Center. The course will be held June 10-13, 1979, at the Tamiment Resort and Country Club in Tamiment, Pennsylvania.

Purpose of the course is to present basic information concerning industrial fatty acids as well as the latest developments in such a manner as to provide beginners with a thorough background as well as to stimulate veteran people in the field. Emphasis will be on the chemistry of fatty acids and derivatives, with major focus on inedible products.

Dr. Sonntag has recruited a staff representing the top technical people in the industry. Faculty members will include:

- K.T. Zilch, technical director for Emery Industries, Cincinnati, OH.
- E.H. Pryde, Oilseed crops research coordinator, USDA Northern Regional Research Center, Peoria, IL.
- T.H. Smouse, manager for lipid sciences, Ralston Purina Co., St. Louis, MO.
- J.C. Kern, manager, Fatty Acid Producers Council, New York, NY.
- E. Fritz, manager for process engineering, Union Camp Chemical Division, Savannah, GA.
- E.C. Leonard, vice president, Humko-Sheffield Chemical, Memphis, TN.
- A.M. Gavin, vice president, EMI Corp., Des Plaines, IL.
- R. Logan, assistant to the vice president, Union Camp Chemical Division, Wayne, NJ.
- E. Jungermann, Jungermann Associates, Chicago, IL.
- C. Glankler, technical director, Humko Sheffield Chemical, Memphis, TN.

Confirmation of additional faculty members is expected shortly.

Topics to be covered will include: background, economics, importance; raw materials; unit operations (fat splitting, fatty acid distillation, separation, hydrogenation, esterification, fatty nitrogens); physical properties of fatty acids; exotic reactions; problem areas; government regulations; ecological aspects; analytical chemistry in fatty acids and derivatives; applications, uses, markets; and future developments.

Dr. Sonntag plans to begin technical sessions the afternoon of Sunday, June 10. The program will begin at 8 a.m. each weekday morning, take a lengthy adjournment each afternoon from about 2 p.m. until supper time, and then continue after supper with additional material. Registrants will thus have afternoons free for discussion, conversation or other activity. The evening programs "will blend a fine mixture of interesting instruction, socializing and fun," Dr. Sonntag said. ●