



Local Chairman LeRoy Dugan welcomes registrants to short course.



Dr. John Cowan talks with visitors at American Soybean Association reception.

180 attend fats, oils short course

Approximately 180 persons from two dozen nations participated in the AOCS Short Course on Processing and Quality Control of Fats and Oils held June 26-28, 1978, at the Kellogg Center on the campus of Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

More than a third of the registrants were from outside the United States with the largest contingent of approximately 35 persons from a dozen Latin American and Caribbean nations. Other non-U.S. registrants were from Singapore, Iran, Pakistan, Yugoslavia, Egypt, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, the Philippines, and Canada.

Program chairman was T.L. Mounts of the Northern Regional Research Center in Peoria, IL. Local chairman was LeRoy Dugan of the Michigan State University food science faculty. Seventeen speakers participated. Registrants generally said they were pleased with the program, but there were a few comments that the program was not scientific enough, as well as complaints that some papers were too scientific.

Attendance at a get-acquainted mixer the evening of June 25 was reduced by a major storm that delayed traffic at O'Hare Airport in Chicago up to three hours. The American Soybean Association sponsored a reception before dinner on Tuesday evening with soy snacks available. Several members of the state soybean association board of directors attended the reception and had dinner with the short course registrants.

The soybean association arranged for participation of about half of the overseas registrants, bringing teams from Latin America, Yugoslavia, Egypt, and Iberia. ●



Kellogg Center's Lincoln Room was crowded throughout all three days.



Meals were served in Kellogg Center's Big Ten Room.



ASA Mike Tudor, left, and Gil Harrison escorted foreign registrants from Eastern Europe, Latin America, respectively.



178 persons participated in AOCS Edible Oil Short Course.



Yugoslavian registrants attend ASA reception.