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This smooth, dead-front bank of 14 G-E Limitamp combination motor starters is housed in a separate switch house. Contactors are oil-immersed and fuses are housed in individual steel cubicles.

This rack assembly of G-E oilimmersed combination starters controls low-voltage motors. Starters are installed as a complete control group. Maintenance is also sim-plified.

POWER SYSTEMS for Chemical Plant Service

Designers of the electric power system in this new Tide Water cracking plant made continuity of service their chief objectiveand G-E equipment helped them achieve it!

In the new cracking plant of the Tide Water Associated Oil Co. at Avon, Calif., the continuous nature of the fluidcatalytic process makes even occasional power interruptions intolerable. Failures have to be "squelched" before they start!

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#### **Potent New Chemical Augments Pyrethrins In D&O Pyrenones**

New concentrates, which will permit the manufacture of highly effective, low-cost household sprays, have been announced by Dodge and Olcott, Inc. Known as D&O Pyrenone Concentrates, they are carefully-pro-portioned combinations of pyrethrins with a new D&O-developed chemical, piperonyl hu-toxide (D&O No. 333). Liquid insecticides and aerosols made with this new compound are superior to straight pyrethrum insecticides in range of effectiveness, stability, and residual killing power. They are completely free from toxicological hazards. irritation, odor, and other undesirable characteristics.

odor, and other undesirable characteristics. Only one of these compounds – Pyrenone No. 20 New – is ready for use at the present time. It is considered to be the ideal formula-tion for the manufacture of liquid general-purpose household insecticides. Other Pyre-nones will be announced within the next few months. Adequate amounts of these com-pounds for experimentation and testing are now available. Full-scale commercial deliv-eries will begin in the late fall, and ample supplies will be ready in time for the 1947 season.

#### New Chemical

Piperonyl butoxide (D&O No. 333), the new chemical developed by Dodge and Ol-cott. Inc. to augment straight pyrethrins, is a close relative of the already well-known pip-eronyl cyclohexenone (D&O 312). Piperonyl cyclohexenone has been, and is, giving ex-traordinary results in agricultural and cer-tain other fields and has been used very tain other fields, and has been used very effectively in the formulation of household (Continued on next page)

### **Urethan Holds Promise In** Treatment of Leukemia

A definite palliative effect is noted in many cases of leukemia when urethan treatments are used, according to the findings of a group of British scientists. Up to the present, however, no cure has been discovered for this disease which is known as "cancer of the blood."

The British scientists state in a recent issue of a medical journal that in the most favorable cases treated with urethan, a fall in total white cases treated with urethan, a fall in total white blood count to normal limits and a rise in hemoglobin were noted. They also claim to have observed enlarged lymph nodes and a reduction in the size of the spleen. The results reported are similar to those obtained from X-ray therapy which has been employed for some time to give temporary relief end to prolong life in the chronic forms

relief and to prolong life in the chronic forms of the disease. Prior to the use of urethan, many drugs, including arsenic and benzene, were tried, but with little success.

# **U.S.I.** Completes Plans for New **Chemical Research Laboratory**

Project At Stamford, Conn., Will Be Devoted To Research On Resins, Solvents, Organic Chemicals, And Manufacturing Methods

With the completion of plans for a new chemical research laboratory, another project in U.S.I.'s postwar program of expansion is now under way. A site for the building, which will house more than 200 skilled investigators, has been

#### THE MONTH IN RUBBER

An antiseptic rubber, also claimed to be insecticidal, is invented . . . A new antiaging substance for rubber sole mixtures is announced . . . Testing procedures for evaluating natural and synthetic rubbers are catalogued . . . A new blowing agent for sponge rubber is developed . . . A material said to be similar to GR-5, and compatible with natural rubber and numerous other synthetic rubbers, goes into fullscale production . . . Rubber bones for dogs are now chocolate flavored . . . A new plasticizer and extender for latex is put on the market . . . Inner tubes made with GR-1 (Butyl) rubber are stated to have superior resistance to tearing . . . A chlorinated synthetic rubber is made available . Graphs showing market prices of rubber products from 1910 to 1945 are published . A new wax emulsion for use on rubber products of any color is produced.

### **U.S.I.** Announces New Natural Feed Ingredients

Supplementing its line of feed ingredients which include Special Liquid Curbay, Curbay B-G, and Vacatone, U.S.I. is now offering two natural riboflavin products obtained from vegetative fermentation operations. They are U.S.I. Brand Riboflavin Mixture #1, contain-U.S.I. Brand Riboflavin Mixture #1, contain-ing one gram of active riboflavin per ounce of material, and U.S.I. Brand Riboflavin Con-centrate #85, consisting of 85 parts per hun-dred of active riboflavin along with a natural carrier and a new vitamin of the B-complex. Inquiries should be directed to U.S. Indus-vial Chemisch. trial Chemicals, Inc.

selected at Stamford, Conn. About halt of the total 100,000 square feet within the walls of the new laboratory and auxiliary buildings will be devoted to U.S.I. projects; the other half will be used for research activities of Air Reduction Company, Incorporated.

U.S.I. research conducted at this labora-tory will be concerned with solvents. resins, organic chemicals, and engineering development. A pilot plant, suitable for carrying out fairly large scale experiments, will be available in order to obtain information for build-ing commercial-size plants.

#### **Complete Facilities**

The laboratory will be equipped with the most modern research facilities. Some of these, such as the technical library, the patent files, the drafting room, the analytical laboratory, the machine shop, and the physics laboratory will be shared by the research staffs of U.S.I. and Air Reduction.

The laboratory buildings will be red brick structures of modified colonial design. The main building will be three-stories high. L. main building with be three-stories flight. L-shaped, with a clock tower at the juncture of the two wings. The separate laboratories of Air Reduction and U.S.I. will occupy the two larger wings, and a smaller wing will house equipment for pilot plant operations.

#### To Occupy 40 Acres

Title to 40 acres of land to accommodate the proposed laboratories and pilot plant has been acquired. The site of the new laboratory is in the western part of Stamford, and can be seen from the main line of the New York. New Haven & Hartford Railroad at a point about a mile south of the Stamford station. One corner of the 40-acre plot runs into the Township of Greenwich.

At present the chemical research labora-tories of Air Reduction and U.S.I. are situated at 41 Magee Avenue, Stamford, where Air Reduction's liquefaction research laboratory and rare gases division are also located.



Artist's conception of the new chemical research laboratory at Stamford, Conn., scheduled for completion within a year.

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### Addition of Methionine Spurs Growth **Of Rats on Protein-Deficient Diet**

#### **New Concentrates**

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insecticides. However, its newer relative, piperonyl butoxide, has unique advantages, particularly in oil base sprays and in aerosols, because of its greater effectiveness against common household insects and its complete solubility in the mediums used for dilution.

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When added to a diet low in protein, methionine can significantly increase the growthrate of rats, according to a paper presented recently before an American scientific society. The authors also claim that the addition of methionine aids the rats in resisting high concentrations of benzene in the atmosphere, Methionine, one of the ten essential amino acids, is now being synthesized by a U.S.I. process which cuts costs about 97 per cent. Four groups of 6-9 male albino rats, weigh-

ing about 180 grams each, were fed a proteindeficient diet, consisting of 69 per cent sugar, 9 per cent casein, 15 per cent lard, 4 per cent salt mixture, and 3 per cent cellophane with 500 mg, of yeast and 2 drops of cod liver oil daily. The diet of two groups was supplemented with 0.8 per cent of methionine daily. One group on the basic diet and one on the supplemented diet were exposed to an atmosphere of 90 per cent benzene for 42 hours weekly.

Both the methionine groups gained significantly more weight than their corresponding basic groups. The methionine group which was exposed to benzene showed far less ill effects than the basic group.

#### Easy Drum-Handling



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#### TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENTS

Further information on these items may be obtained by writing to U.S.I.

To prevent leakage from broken acid bottles a new acid-resistant coating is announced which is said to provide a protective armor around the bottles, and to hold its shape even though the glass underneath is shattered. (No. 093) USI

An automatic paint brush cleaner, described as a unit consisting of a patented device and a special liquid, is reported to do a rapid and complete job, even removing the paint in the el of the brush. (No. 094) USI

To put out solvent fires, as well as gas and oil fires, a mechanical foam has been developed, which is claimed to meet all the rigid conditions of the new joint Army-Navy specifications. (No. 095)

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USI A new rustproofer for steel is described as pro-tecting metal during the manufacturing stages and permitting a tighter bond with paints. (No. 096)

#### USI

To withstand 1,000 degrees F., new glass-based coatings are announced which are alleged to be rustproof, solventproof, and abrasionproof, and to withstand a 200-hour salt-spray test. (No. 097) USI

A new moisture tester makes 3 moisture deter-minations per minule on sheet material, such as paper, cardboard, and veneer, according to the manufacturer. (No. 098) USI

To evaporate heat-sensitive solutions, or solu-tions which tend to decompose, discolor, or separate in crusts, is the purpose of a new "rapid current evaporator." The apparatus is readily adaptable to plant operating conditions, the makers state. (No. 099) USI

To speed textile finishing, a new catalyst is an-nounced which is described as adorless, and water soluble. It is claimed to accelerate the ac-tion of thermoplastic resins used in finishing tion of textiles. (No. 100) USI

A new-type continuous viscosimeter is described as permitting instantaneous observation of vis-cosity values existing in a moving fluid stream under full-line pressure. [No. 101] USI

A cold-setting padding glue, claimed to resist extremes of heat and cold, can be applied by hand brush or spray gun, according to the manu-facturer. One gallon is reported to cover 200 square feet of padding area. (No. 102) USI

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Congress asked to establish supervisory agency over rubber industry with six principal functions . . . Price controls removed from a wide range of chemical equipment . . . Office of Technical Services set up in Department of Commerce . . . Government earmarks large amount to stimulate research work . . . Research under government auspices raises new patent problems . . . Ample supplies of ammonia promised through reopening of government plants . . . Federal Power Commission studies controls for industrial use of natural gas . . . New draft calls threaten engineering personnel . . . Research pushed on application of atomic energy . . . Forecast for fertilizer chemicals

### A NATIONAL RUBBER PLAN

INDICATIONS are that the rubber industry will continue to function indefinitely in the long shadow of Washington. In a unanimous final report to OWMR Director Steelman the Inter-Agency Policy Committee on Rubber casts au eye at the lowering international skies and urges legislation that will (1) establish a permanent national rubber supervisory body and (2) assure continued use of a certain percentage of synthetic rubber in annual total rubber consumption.

Calling for a "continuous, coherent national rubber policy," the committee asks that Congress establish a supervisory agency having six principal functions: To coordinate activities of all government agencies concerned with rubber keep the national rubber position under continuous review, recommend legislation if the use of synthetic should fall below "security" requirements, supervise government-sponsored research programs, represent rubber's interests in any National Science Foundation that may be set up, and look after governmentowned synthetic rubber plants held in standby. Recommended for membership in the supervisory body are high officials of each government agency having an interest in rubber, with an "independent" chairman to he appointed for a term of years.

### PROPS FOR SYNTHETIC

IN AN earlier report the Inter-Agency Committee urged that a third of our annual rubber consumption, excepting specialty rubbers, consist of general-purpose synthetic. It also recommended the maintenance in operation or standby condition of 600,000 tons per year of government-owned generalpurpose capacity not acquired by private industry. In its final report the committee discusses various possible means of reaching and preserving these "security" levels. Cautious opinion is expressed that a combination of subsidy and product specification is the most practicable means—if and when government support proves necessary.

Just who would get a subsidy for synthetic rubber is unspecified. It might go, says the committee, to the rubber manufacturers or the users. The government might buy synthetic at prices giving fair profits to manufacturers and then resell at prices competitive with natural rubber. Continued federal regulation of the percentage of synthetic rubber in products is attractive to the committee, which admits, however, that enforcement may prove difficult.

Examined and rejected on grounds that they conflict with existing trade agreements, discourage research or violate principles of private enterprise are such alternatives as tariffs, import quotas, excise taxes er products containing natural rubber, and government monopoly of natural rubber imports.

### MONOPOLY MERRY-GO-ROUND

CONGRESSIONAL committees and the Justice Department are again after the monopolists. Recent hearings, including a survey of the chemical field, before the Senate Small Business Committee have led its chairman, James E. Murray, to complain that the Justice Department doesn't have more funds than it has. The Small Business Committee of the House is expected to conduct hearings on monopolistic tendencies, during the congressional recess, with particular reference to effects of governmental policies on war-time concentration of industrial enterprise,

Justice's Anti-Trust Division, now directing over 100 investigations, says it is scrutin-

izing the concentration of industries occurring since 1939. Handy to Mr. Berge's men is a little volume, "Economic Concentration and World War II," prepared at the request of the Senate Small Business Committee by the late Smaller War Plants Corp. Presenting the study to the Senate in June, Chairman Murray said he was seriously disturbed over the figures. The section on chemicals and allied products bristles with charts, graphs and tables showing that ". . . the major effects of the war upon the structure of the chemicals industry were (1) a rise in the percentage importance of the large firms, and (2) a tremendous increase in the productive capacity held by the big companies." In offering this display of statistics the booklet has little to say of the numerous conditions and reasons why the larger companies had to meet the major share of expansion requirements during the war.

### CHEMICAL EQUIPMENT FREED

SUSPENSION on July 26, by OPA of price controls over a wide range of industrial machinery and equipment was intended, in effect, to eliminate controls over the entire field of chemical processing equipment. OPA officials made this statement early in August in reply to questions about the status of chemical equipment not specifically mentioned in Amendment 33 to Supplementary Order 129. The items specified under the title "chemical process machinery," they declared, were listed merely to indicate to manufacturers the broad types of equipment decontrolled. However, where there is uncertainty, officials advise manufacturer to write to OPA for an interpretation.

### OTHER EQUIPMENT STATUS

INCLUDED in the long list for which price controls are suspended, is much equipment not classed as chemical but more or less related to the chemical processing industries. Among them are air conditioning equipment, air and other gas compressors, conveyors and conveying systems, crushers, grinders, pulverizers, dust collecting equipment, industrial fans and blowers, gas generators, heat exchange equipment, pumps, screening machinery, water conditioners. Also machinery for ceramics, paint and varnish, petroleum refining, pharmaceuticals, pulp and paper, rubber and rubber products. In some instances these items are qualified as to capacity and type. Further price decontrols

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are contemplated but officials in the Machinery Branch of OPA are reluctant to disclose plans declaring they wish to discuss them with the newly established price decontrol board.

### **OFFICE OF TECHNICAL SERVICES**

NEWLY established in the Department of Commerce is Office of Technical Services. That new agency combines the work of Office of the Publication Board, Technical Industrial Intelligence Branch, National Inventors Council, and Production Research and Development Division.

The new Office will have at least four major divisions:

1. Invention and Engineering Division will handle the patent projects formerly in National Inventors Council and related new activities. There is some talk that much of the patent work of the Alien Property Custodian may ultimately land here.

2. Industrial Research and Development Division takes over the residual activities of Office of Production Research and Development. It also will be the contracting office with \$1,000,000 for aiding and stimulating investigations.

3. Library and Reports Division will take over the work which has been managed by OPB.

4. Technical Industrial Intelligence Division is the direct successor of TIIB which in turn succeeded TIIC, CIOS, and the other investigative groups abroad.

In general administrative charge of OTS is John C. Green who has been in charge of several of these agencies under Secretary Henry Wallace. The chief of Library and Reports Division is to be Jerrold Orne and the chief of IRDD is Ely C. Hutchinson. The headquarters of all of these activities continue in the Commerce Department building in Washington.

### **RESEARCH AID PLANNED**

CONGRESS appropriated a million and a half dollars for the Department of Commerce to use on contracts as a stimulant in research undertakings. This new policy for peacetime resembles the contract aid given during wartime on OSRD and OPRD investigations. Of the new money two-thirds will be disbursed at the Commerce Department's new Industrial Research and Development Division and one-third will be spent by the National Bureau of Standards.

IRDD is just now organizing the plans by which it will discuss with would-be spenders its contracts for joint undertakings. To qualify for this kind of government aid, a proposal must be for a project in which 'there is a reasonable probability that it will foster and promote the national welfare and that it will: (1) Advance the technological productivity of the nation; (2) create new enterprise; (3) create new employment; (4) be of wide public consequence and benefit." "But projects may not be undertaken: (1) If they are within the field of budget responsibility of another government agency; (2) if they may be equally accomplished to the same ends by private enterprise."

It is emphasized that only technologic or applied investigations will be discussed. Fundamental research is left for consideration of National Science Foundation, if and when established. Furthermore, these investigations will not extend to social and economic investigations. They must relate to the application of physical or biologic science and usually they will be exclusively of an experimental nature either in the laboratory or in the field.

### **NEW PATENT PROBLEMS**

GOVERNMENT participation in research has created a number of new patent problems that remains unsolved. More of these are expected under the new IRDD research contract program. Under those contracts it is definitely expected that there will be commercial exploitation of results obtained, but that the government will retain the right to "the usual irrevocable, non-exclusive, royalty-free license" to use the inventions for any government purposes. There is a disposition to require also that an inventor gaining a patent from such contract work agree to license it for development under terms acceptable to the government. Thus the government hopes to control any monopoly tendencies which might otherwise grow out of government finance work.

Already other controversies are being met in cases where government investigators are seeking private profit by licensing patents which have resulted from wartime investigations. Where these investigations have been aided by the government but done in institutional or corporation laboratories, there seems little doubt as to the rights of the individuals and companies involved. But quite a different problem is met in the case of inventors working on salaries in government laboratories which do not have a fixed patent policy.

Some firms wishing to use the results of such work intend to test the rights of these government employees who demand license fees, especially in one or two cases where public health questions are involved. It is expected that some serious court cases will be needed to establish legal rights because of the widely varied policy of official administrators, most of whom seek to dodge the issue as long as possible.

### AMMONIA PROGRAM BOOMS

ALL ten of the government-financed ammonia synthesis plants built for war purposes will shortly be operating to make up the world deficiency of ammonia for fertilizers. The talk is that all will operate at capacity. The facts will probably not bear out that proposal for some months to come, despite wishes and optimistic statements.

Title to three of these plants has passed from Ordnance via War Assets Administration to others. Tennessee Valley Authority long ago took over its plant at Muscle Shoals. Buckeye Ordance Works at South Point, Ohio, was sold for \$12,500,000 to Solvay Process Co. Dixie Ordnance Works at Sterlington, La., has been sold to its wartime operator, Commercial Solvents Corp., for approximately \$5,500,000.

Three other Ordnance plants are under long-term lease to private enterprise, each lease containing an option to buy. Jayhawk Ordnance is now operated by Spencer Chemical Co.; Ozark Ordnance is operated by Lion Chemical Co.; the Lake Charles ammonia plant built by Mathieson Alkali at a cost of about \$14,000,000 is now to be operated by Hercules Powder Co. All six under lease or ownership of commercial and government firms are primarily engaged in making ammonium nitrate principally for domestic fertilizer use. That which goes abroad will be sold by the operators to the governmental agencies handling export.

Reactivation of the other four ammonia plants to operate for the government account is under way. At the first of August final decision had not been made as to all operators of these plants at Morgantown, West Henderson, Cactus Arsenal of Texas, and Missouri Ordnance Works. But it was expected that some experienced firms would be engaged to make ammonium nitrate, most or all of which will be sent abroad to the armies of occupation or through other governmental agencies. At the insistence of American firms interested, the general decision appears to be to require such export for the entire output of these works. Thus the government operations and government bookkceping will not place the output of these emergency projects in competition with private enterprise. The only governmental competitor will be Tennessee Valley Authority which continues to produce daily at capacity about 400 tons of ammonium nitrate.

### METHANOL PROBLEM GROWS

SALE, lease, and contract operation of ammonia plants is preventing prompt development of some of the wartime capacity for methanol manufacture. At least three of the companies which have taken over plants want to convert at least one-third, and perhaps more, of their installations from ammonia synthesis to the making of methanol. This can be done with simple and not-too-costly changes in equipment.

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When a real shortage becomes evident it will be too late to do much about it. Meanwhile, Civilian Production Administration is trying to arrange to have more alcohol made but naturally has difficulty in getting grain assignments for that purpose. One possible means for relief seems to be a quick shift at Morgantown and a partial shift at Sterlington, from ammonia to methanol. Only those two plants have any substantial capacity technically ready for the changeover.

### TARIFF CUTS DELAYED

Long before now President Truman and the State Department had expected to be busy cutting tariff rates under the trade agreement policy which was used so successfully by Secretary Hull to slash import duties. That whole program has been delayed by a series of events which have not been understood in industry, and probably not really well understood even by some of the participants in Washington.

No tariff cuts affecting the British empire could be considered until Congress had granted approval on the British loan. That approval did not come until July. At that time any change in duties which might be embarrassing at the November elections could not be considered by an electionconscious Administration. Postponement until after November polling was necessary. Then came international complications further to delay the program.

The original plan was for the United States to have an extended trade conference to discuss climination of trade barriers. A call went out for such a meeting of about 15 nations to be held in New York. Other nations objected, on the nominal ground that this was a United Nations project and should not be handled by such hand-picked conference to which many were not invited. The United States withdrew its invitations and agreed to meet at the larger trade conference which has been called to meet under United Nations sponsorship in London beginning October 15.

Washington now knows that the results of the London conference can not be digested and reconciled with State Department plans until after the first of 1947. But the State Department expects to have a group working on the task of negotiating new agreements which are expected to cut by 50 percent present duties on a majority of imports. In this connection it must be remembered that commodities which have already been cut from their statutory rate by 50 percent are again subject to a similar percentage reduction by Presidential action.

### MORE POWER FOR FPC?

As THE last of a series of Federal Power Commission hearings on natural gas ended August 1 it seemed to some observers that one of the commission's aims is to gather ammunition for a move to extend its authority in the natural gas field. FPC will go over the voluminous testimony this summer and prepare its report for submission to Congress, along with whatever recommendations for new legislation the commission may wish.

Disturbing to gas interests is the prospect that FPC will seek authority to control sales from interstate pipelines direct to industrial consumers. They point out that, armed with such power, FPC would then have jurisdiction over all gas from an interstate line, thus holding a position where it could dictate the usage to which all such gas could be put. Obviously, this would have a vital influence on direct industrial users, and would in effect enable the commission to determine whether a plant is to utilize interstate natural gas or a competing fuel.

FPC spokesmen have expressed concern over the rapidly increasing use of natural gas, as well as the possibility that interstate gas might in some instances be sold directly to industries in such volumes as to endanger the supplies of consumers served by local distributors. Witnesses at the hearings often were pressed for their views as to the probable future increase in the industrial demand for natural gas as fuel and as a chemical raw material.

#### **MOLASSES WANTED**

Soon after the new contract for Cuban sugar, molasses and alcohol was signed in Havana on July 16, agencies in Washington were looking for additional molasses in order to enable the nine idle fermentation alcohol plants on the Gulf and East Coasts to resume operation. The plants had already received and consumed their portion of the 115 million gallons of molasses to be delivered during 1946 under the contract. With Rubber Reserve now seeking from 30 to 50 million gallons of alcohol for conversion into butadiene, and the dry ice famine still unrelieved, need for production from the plants has become acute.

Early in August, several moves, spearheaded by CPA, were under way to secure an additional 15 to 20 million gallons of molasses. Commodity Credit Corp. was asking the Cubans to make available at once 15 million gallons more under a clause in the contract requiring the Cuban Sugar Institute to increase the contracted minimum of 115 million if possible. CPA considers that Cuba could well make available some 20 million gallons which the Cubans want to convert into beverage alcohol for export. Incidentally, CPA insists that it will continue enforcement of L-353, the order prohibiting use of imported cane spirits made from molasses. Late in July the International Emergency Food Council was concluding a survey to determine what volume of molasses previously allocated to foreign countries would not be required by them. At the same time CPA was exploring the practicability of using surplus potatoes for fermentation.

### PRIORITIES FOR ALCOHOL

CIVILIAN Production Administration extends a helping hand to manufacturers willing to increase production of synthetic methyl, ethyl and normal butyl alcohols made from non-food raw materials. A few weeks ago CPA, by amending Schedule 1 to Priorities Regulation 28, made rating assistance available to secure capital equipment for production of these alcohols. It had been previously ascertained that construction would be undertaken if priorities were given. CPA officials say that requirements are almost triple the production of all types of alcohols.

### NEW DRAFT CALLS

BEGINNING in September there will be new draft calls through Selective Service, which will take most able-bodied non father eligibles from 19 to 29 years of age, inclusive. Deferment for occupational reasons will be granted in only very few cases. Those who have assisted in keeping engineering and scientific personnel for the more important tasks of research and op eration during the war period now feel that it will be more difficult than ever to do this.

#### ARMY NEEDS ESTIMATED

STATEMENTS from Army officers to National Research Council indicate approximately the following situation affecting present technically-trained persons. About 225,000 inductions by draft will probably be needed between September and April. It may require as many as 700,000 men called to achieve this smaller net gain. Only about 92,000 draft eligible persons remain in the non-father age group of 19 to 34. Of these, 60,000 are in the Merchant Marine and are thus regarded as veterans. The remaining eligibles, numbering 32,000, will practically all be required in September, for which the quota has been set at 25,000.

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Industrial operation and research-laboratory engagement will no longer get much consideration. There is authority to grant such deferments, but little disposition to do so.

### DEFERMENT HOPES RISE

AFTER a generally accepted decision to make absolutely no occupational deferments under the new Selective Service law a sudden change in Washington attitude developed. Close observers credit John Steelman with having given a practical turn to different matters with sufficient force to override the arbitrary "take everybody" policy first adopted by General Hershey.

The revised memorandum to local boards does not give the full story of expected deferments. Actual practice later in the future will probably recognize at least four sorts of occupational deferment: (1) Teachers of physical science and engineering needed to train ex-GI's; (2) research assistants at college and graduate students of exceptional importance, probably under a selective program of OSRD (about 500); (3) vitally needed scientists and engineers in research, development, design, and operation (probably as many as 10,000); (4) skilled technicians, like instrument makers and operators of delicate machinery, who are virtually irreplaceable without years of training (probably 2,000 in number).

### ATOM POWER BEING PUSHED

HASTENING industrial research on the application of atomic energy to the propulsion of aircraft is the aim of the Army Air Forces, which has arranged with several plane manufacturers to have their engineers and scientists examine the possibilities. Also, the Navy is putting brains to work on ship movement via the atom. Meanwhile, slow but steady progress is being made on the design of the atomic pilot plant in the Clinton Laboratory, operated by Monsanto Chemical Co., at Oak Ridge.

Experts from industry, universities, Army Air Forces and the Navy are working together on the plant, which is now in the design stage. Careful study is being given to selection and testing of metals and other materials of construction which must withstand high temperatures. This, coupled with the need for painstaking experimental work which is expected to run well into 1947 before final design of the plant is reached, has pushed the completion date to some time in 1948.

### TVA LOSES AGAIN

DURING early July it looked as though Tennessee Valley Authority was going to get \$3 million from the Federal Treasury to begin construction of the fertilizer plant which it wishes to build at Mobile. After a brief hearing at which the industry was not permitted to appear, the Senate in serted that sum in the appropriation bill. But the House rejected the item and the Senate receded.

It is now definitely promised (no one knows exactly how dependably) that there will be no further effort this year to put TVA into business in competition with industry. But industry executives say frankly "We are watching the situation closely, despite this promise."

### HOW TO GET RFC DOLLARS

WARTIME loans by Reconstruction Finance Corporation were frequently made under conditions not permissible at this time. For example, it is no longer possible for industrial projects of marginal prospect to be financed through RFC simply because some war agency sponsors them. That sponsorship was adequate in wartime, but no longer.

Another little understood problem of borrowing from Uncle Sam's loan agency has caused many disappointments recently among would-be borrowers. This is a fact that loans must be refused by commercial banks before RFC will even consider helping a new undertaking. Only in rare instances will RFC waive this regulation. Those interested in new projects should, therefore, bring to Washington letters refusing credit by the usual and customary banking agencies if they are going to get serious attention to their requests for federal money.

The effort of RFC to avoid competition with commercial bankers has led to a very interesting banking pool arrangement in New York City. When it looks as though proposals to the government ought to have participation by commercial banks, the would be borrower is asked for permission to refer loan requests to this group of commercial banking corporations of New York, or to some other commercial bank where the borrower would prefer to do business. Often this results in a joint investigation by the government and the bankers. And in some cases banks make marginal loans in part underwritten by the government.

### "BUY AMERICAN" IS BAD

THE new law providing for stockpiles of strategic and critical materials was finally passed by Congress and signed by the President late in July. The bill sets a new pattern of preparedness in minerals, metals, chemicals, and a few other industrial commodities.

When signing the bill the President issued a statement severely criticising one portion of the act, which provides for preference in purchases for the stockpile to be given to American producers. That "Buy American" requirement is, according to the President, seriously in conflict with the other fundamental requirements of the law because it does not permit most economic and effective building up of reserves which may be needed in some later emergency period. The provision will increase the cost of purchases, tend to defeat conservation policies of other parts of the act, and otherwise work against the public interest, according to the President.

Perhaps most emphasized is the fact that this "Buy American" policy goes counter to the Administration program of reducing trade barriers. The President was particularly reluctant to sign the bill because the United States, by this act, goes exactly counter to the policy which it is now urging on other nations for development of inter national trade.

### FERTILIZER FOR 1946-1947

More fertilizer materials will be available for American farmers during the fertilizer year which opened July 1 than in any previous season. This fact was forecast by Maurice H. Lockwood, president of The National Fertilizer Association. He has given out the following estimates of the probable U. S. supply of the major fertilizer components:

E	stimated Supply	Increase Over
		Last Year
	Tons .	Percent
Vitrogen	716,000	2
hosphoric ac	id1,500,000	14
otash	766,000	5

Lockwood also emphasized the fact that such supplies, if achieved, will represent approximately double the amount of fertilizer material for American farms used in the average prewar years. In the aggregate the current year's supply will be about 103 percent greater than the average of 1935-1939.

### LIFE EXPECTANCY ARGUED

SPEAKING for the natural gas pipeline development, the coal industry spokesmen have been arguing before Federal Power Commission that natural gas should not be utilized extensively because the life expectancy of many natural gas fields is so much shorter than that of the coal deposits of the country. In one case a comparison was made between a certain natural gas supply adequate for 34 years and an-thracite supply with 165 years of life expectancy. Those seeking natural gas development retort with comparisons of efficiency of fuel use, arguing that the customers are entitled to natural gas fuel which can be used with nearly double the thermal efficiency for many household and industrial purposes. Most certain is the fact that this inter-fuel controversy will continue a problem of large importance before Federal Power Commission for some years.

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### AFTERTHOUGHTS AND SECOND GUESSES

NOW that the atomic-bomb tests at Bikini are over, the Monday morning quarterbacks have come into their own. Here on board the U.S.S. Panamint, the American scientists and the accredited observers from the United Nations hold almost daily sessions to appraise the significance of these two great experiments. The presidential and military evaluation boards have given us their preliminary findings of the damage. These reports, and others that come to us, are in general agreement that the tests were conducted in an unbiased, scientific mannerthat there has been no effort to withhold any information that will be helpful in promoting a better understanding of the general nature and purposes underlying the tests. But despite this factual evidence, the question occasionally arises: Was there not some hidden purpose behind these tests? Were we not striving for something more significant than the military and scientific evaluations of this newest agency of destruction?

One of the documents of most interest in this connection is the report of the Chicago scientists to the Secretary of War, which was dated June 11, 1945-two months before Hiroshima, five days before the New Mexico test. Therein was officially raised for the first time the questions of social and political implication that have since been in continuing discussion and debate. Those questions have not yet been answered to everyone's satisfaction but it is interesting to note how many of them were anticipated by the scientists at that early date. The authors of the report realized that the final decisions as to the use of atomic energy for military purposes had to be made by the highest authorities of our own government-if not of the whole world. They expressed the fear that "the military advantages and the saving of American lives by the sudden use of atomic bombs against Japan may be outweighed by an ensuing loss of confidence and by a wave of horror and repulsion sweeping over the rest of the world and perhaps even dividing public opinion at home." In this respect the scientists were wrong for no such surge of opposition developed.

An alternate proposal suggested by the group, which consisted of three physicists, three chemists and one biologist, was that "a demonstration of the new weapon might be made, before the eyes of representatives of the United Nations, on the desert or on a barren island." With Japan invited to view such a demonstration, they felt that even her most fanatic war lords might be convinced quickly of the need to surrender and to join with the other nations of the world in an international renunciation of the atomic bomb. Looking back at what has happened since then, that idea now seems quite fantastic. Yet no doubt there are many people the world over who fervently hoped that the tests at Bikini might somehow have accomplished this same objective-i.e. to have frightened the world into accepting some idealistic plan for world security.

To those who still think in that vein, the recent tests are bound to have proved disappointing. From the very first announcement of the plans for Operation Crossroads, Admiral Blandy insisted that the tests were primarily for military and secondarily for scientific purposes and that no political or social significance should be attached to them. Certainly nothing has developed in our discussions here on the Panamint that would indicate any disagreement with that interpretation and use of the end results of the Bikini tests.

Rather, the Navy now has for the first time a fairly comprehensive picture of the coverage and extent of blast damage to its ships, the effects on superstructures and hull design, the threat to and possible protection for personnel, and, finally, a better knowledge of what can be expected from the secondary effects of fire and radioactivity. Science and engineering will be benefited by the data on heat and pressure phenomena, the varying resistances of different construction materials and the safeguards that must be employed when atomic energy is used for less destructive purposes. We have had something more than an experiment in a scientific laboratory. Large-scale, pilot-plant research has again paid dividends.

## A-BOMB TESTS AS VIEWED BY THE EDITOR

#### S. D. KIRKPATRICK Editor, Chemical Engineering

Here is an opportunity to read a chemical engineer's first-hand impressions of the atomic bomb tests, Able and Baker, at the Bikini Atoll last month. Mr. Kirk-patrick sailed on the USS Panamint from Oakland, Calif., June 12 as a non-participating scientific observer of the tests to be made by the Joint Army-Navy Task Force One. His account of the explosions and destruction he witnessed which appear in these pages have been taken from the diary he kept.—*Editors* 



I.N.S.-Joint Army Navy Task Force One Photo

1 July 1946 7:35 a.m.

T oDAY is the big day. The word came through yesterday that Test Able is on. H(ow) Hour was changed to 0830—1 July. All observation ships had to clear the lagoon during the day so we pulled out at 1600 and came to this position—which I judge is approximately 18 miles at 55 deg. NE from the Nevada.

We got our positions yesterday afternoon. Most of us are up on the flying bridge which is just above the navigation bridge. A few are going into the crow's nest. The boys of the press have their typewriters on the bridge right under the captain's nose. I have a swell vantage point—on the flight deck, starboard, with completely unobstructed view.

At about 0830 I took my place between Prof. Alexandrov, the Russian observer, and Col. Ragab, the Egyptian. On my right was Prof. Skilling of Stanford and behind us were the naval officers—including Chaplain Hall—handy in case. At 0850 the first word came through that the bomb was on his way. The last two minutes seemed awfully long. I was looking right at the flash when the call came "There it is!" I looked steadily ahead and saw the first flash that immediately became a round, white ball of fire—about the same size but more intense

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than the sun-when viewed through the dark goggles. The ball lasted only a moment and then the cloud started to rise above it but seeming to carry part of the fire with it. I watched it for a second or two, then when I felt my neighbor pulling off his goggles, I did the same and am mighty glad I did for it gave me a chance to see the slight orange-pink color that soon changed to white as the billowy clouds began to form into the well-known mushroom of the earlier bombs that we have seen so often in the movies. This mushroom stood out prominently from the rest of the clouds for despite what I've heard at the radio there were some clouds on the horizon at the time of the drop.

But to me the most beautiful sight of all was the way this pure white cloud seemed to keep growing and expanding as it mounted higher and higher into the sky. I'm no judge of such distances but I expect it was two or three miles above the horizon in two or three minutes. Then high above it and to the right I saw two parachutes drifting downward into a part of the mushroom that had divided into another cloud. About that time the first of the drone planes could be seen circling. Then, almost unnoticed I saw a cloud of smoke forming at the left of the mushroom which apparently was drifting slightly with the wind. It was a fire at approximately the target center.

Alexandrov on the left and Skilling second man on my immediate right both say they felt the heat wave. I didn't nor did Col. Ragab on my immediate right. But a minute or so after we had taken off our goggles we did hear the roar. It was distinct but more like the rumble of distant thunder. I know. it wasn't anything like so sharp as the explosion of the magazines at Lake Denmark which I heard at about the same distance one Saturday afternoon some 23 years ago. There was another sharper blast five or six minutes later which we judged was probably a torpedo on one of the destroyers.

We are now steaming slowly toward Bikini and with my glasses I can see the atoll which looks just like it did when we left yesterday. The same beautiful palm trees, all the high towers are there as far as I can make out. There's a little smoke and now at 1015 there is still the big white cloud that had mounted high in the sky and seems to be veering off toward the right.

It's 1245 now and I've just finished lunch. There was some speculation at the table as to just where the bomb hit. Judging from the damage and what we could see in the way of twisted masts, the burst must have been more at the edge rather than the center of the target array.

John Grebe of Dow Chemical Co. was excited about an after-effect he'd noticed in the clouds. Some of them even far from the blast showed that they were polarized when you looked at them with Polaroid lens. Zeeman effect, I think he called it. Anyway it was quite noticeable and a little startling to see a section of a cloud that looked as white as the others suddenly turn pink or light orange when seen with the Polaroids. If that is at all characteristic it would make it comparatively easy to trace a radioactive cloud from an A-Bomb explosion. The big question now is "How soon will we get into the lagoon and have a chance to examine the damage?"

To be honest with myself I think I feel a bit disappointed and let down. The show was not as spectacular or dramatic as we had been led to expect. We were unnecessarily far away and it was impossible to see the target array even with good Navy glasses. We were poorly advised as to the exact direction and several of our best observers were on the wrong side of the ship to operate scanning instruments they had set up. The damage was less than a few well-placed aerial bombs would do, that is, as far as we can see now but we must remember that we are still outside of the lagoon.

Now let's see what there is on the plus side. The whole show went off without a serious hitch. The drop was on schedule to the minute. We were far enough away so that there was no serious hazard to the health or life and yet close enough to see the principal fireworks and the beautiful atternath in the clouds. Undoubtedly when we get into the lagoon we will find that the damage is more measurable than would have been the case if the chief target vessels had all been sunk or Bikini stripped of its observation towers, palm trees, and, of course, the Officers' Club and bathing beach.

So we'll stop for now.

2 July 1946 8:00 a.m. The time for second guesses will soon be here and we'd better make them good this time. We are now in the lagoon, having entered yesterday afternoon about 3:30, and along with the Appalachian and the Blue Ridge, we are at anchor near the Mt. Mc-Kinley. As we came to position we had a good chance to observe the damage with our glasses for the Nevada was only about three miles away. The more we looked the more impressed we were.

Small boats began to move about in the lagoon pretty early in the day. Our schedule announced at breakfast, was for a meeting of the observers at 900 with stenographer present to take down 45 seconds of observation from each of us. That's cutting it down to the essence, isn't it? Then we hope to get a boat ride around the target ships this morning and definite arrangements have been made for us to go aboard several vessels this afternoon.

3 July 1946 8:00 a.m. Too much happened around here yesterday. First there was that bull session in which the observers compared their observations. Then excitement alongside as the Sakawa sank and they towed the submannec Skate over to its watergrave. Then a 3-hr. tour of the target array in a small boat, followed by a 3-hr. visit here with Donald Fink of Electronics and the USS Avery Island. Movie and to bed tired but ready to rest for a more strenuous day today.

Pretty hard to summarize the "second guesses" of the observers. It was most evident that not everybody saw the same thing in the same way. Greatest divergence of opinion developed on whether or not the flame ball was a sphere or a hemisphere, whether it was the same size or several times larger than the sun when viewed at the same time. Only a very few felt any heat wave, a few more reported shock. Much argument too about color, but the majority held that nothing deeper than pastels developed in the cloud—peachy pinks pro dominating.

One of the very best reports was that of Gene Starr who was in the crow's nest and could actually see the target with his glasses. He reported first a spark that quickly developed to a ball of flame that became ellipsoidal as it grew to a size somewhat larger than the apparent size of the sun. Some claim that it was surrounded by a dark rim or crust. Then a cloud came over the ball and the billowy mushroom was on its way. Some observers preferred to refer to it as a cauliflower which is OK with me.

These further facts developed in our conference and were later checked with Don Fink. The drop was from a level of about 33,000 ft. The time of free fall of the bomb was actually 47 sec. and not the 18.5 broadcast or the 32 that several of our



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people counted after "bomb away" was called. Our position at the time of the drop was 18.5 nautical miles from the Nevada which I estimate was at least a mile from the center of the flame ball.

So much for the B-session. Now for the first inspection trip. Right after lunch we loaded up four boats. I went in the captain's gig-lead boat under Capt. Ring. We came into the target array from the Bikini Island side, passing first a couple of LST's that were apparently undamaged. The APA Brule looked untouched. There were pressure gages and test panels on her exposed side that appeared in original condition. Next we came to the Pensacola where it was apparent that there had been real trouble aboard. Both stacks had been blown off and the mast had a crazy twist to itbending in the direction away from the Salt Lake City which was some distance away but had a mast bending in the opposite direction.

Next we saw the Sims-class destroyer Hughes. She had apparently been shielded somewhat by the Nevada. Her mast was bent slightly away from the blast center. The disks on the pressure gages on the opposite side were bellied out—indicating suction from the blast rather than pressure. The old Nevada had her tail bent pretty badly and her side was blistered in spots but on the whole she was much less badly damaged than a dozen other vessels.

Next we saw the old Nagato. We were terribly disappointed because she hadn't been sunk or at least badly damaged. Instead she stood there still in all her black and filthy port ugliness—little more battle scarred than before. As we passed her within 20 yd. I could see some of her wooden deck burning slowly in a smouldering way. The APA Banner was bent up a bit and her paint blistered on the bomb side. But the New York seemed all right except for minor damage on deck.

The saddest sight of all was the Independence—the fine aircraft carrier which we went over completely in our visit last week. We estimate that she was about a mile or a little less from the Nevada. But now she is a complete wreck and will have to be beached or otherwise destroyed. Whether or not most of the damage came from secondary fires is something that we argued about. Surely the fires that broke out on her deck and spread to her hangars were a contributing cause. Her decks are stripped of everything except strangely enough one army gasoline truck that we had thought might have been the start of the fire.

Destroyer Mustin was fairly near and even her paint was OK. Saw some live goats on board. A concrete barge we first thought an oil tanker was pretty well smashed up. It's apparent that the reinforced concrete does not resist a blast as effectively as steel. The latter will bend and become distorted but the concrete shatters. The old Salt Lake City is going to need a face lift-

ing. Her stacks are gone and her masts askew. On the side near the bomb she was fried to a crisp and everything on her was burned. She was at least two miles from the Nevada.

We seem to agree that the center of the drop must have been between the Nevada and the Prinz Eugen on one axis and between the Pensacola and the Sakawa on the other. As a matter of fact it might have been right over the Sakawa. When we first came into the lagoon we saw that she had been completely stripped of all superstructure and was badly listing. While we were in our B-session vesterday morning someone reported she was sinking. Those who rushed to the deck saw quite a sight I guess. She did a real movie nose dive before she finally disappeared. A few minutes later though the sub Skate was towed across our stern and I got a chance to see how badly she had been mauled. The boys felt she was being taken away to be beached.

4 July 1946 8:10 a.m. Yesterday we had another session of second guesses—this time to get our recorded impressions of the extent of the bomb's damage. Views expressed checked pretty well with those I mentioned yesterday. Within the area of about one-half mile there was complete destruction, within a mile very serious damage due to both blast pressure and intense heat, between one and two miles heavy structural damage, between two and three miles, slight damage of any kind and beyond three miles little or none.

Directly after lunch we went inspecting aboard several target vessels. The first was the Prinz Eugen which was a little scorched on the blast side but otherwise undamaged. Next we went aboard the Pensacola-the US heavy cruiser built in 1929. It was much nearer the center of the blast and as I reported yesterday her two stacks were laid over, masts twisted, etc. The Pensacola must have had her starboard side exposed directly to the burst-rather than just her stern as the chart might indicate. Some one estimated that a pressure of a maximum of 5 lb. per sq.in. would have accounted for all the damage done to the stacks, masts and the steel deck. That of course is no mean pressure when you consider that most structures are designed for maximum wind pressures of only 40 to 60 lb. per sq.ft.

Next we went to the Saratoga. There was little or no evidence of any structural damage but there had been some hot little fires on her great deck. One of the first things we saw was an aluminum stove that had been melted by the heat and surrounded by lava like streams where the molten metal had flowed along the deck. Nearby were piles of charred fabrics that were little more than ashes. Rubber tires on a nearby vehicle showed evidence of having actually melted in spots on treads and sidewalls. The pressure gages—thin metal diaphragms over various

size openings—were all broken on the sides exposed to the burst but occasionally those on the opposite sides were OK. All of this damage on the Saratoga was surprising principally because the ship was at the outer fringe of the target array, between two and three miles from the burst.

Then we went to the beach and believe me we were ready for a swim. It's a hot dirty job climbing over these ships. Prof. Chalmer G. Kirkbride of Texas A. & M. wanted to bet that we wouldn't be allowed in the water because it would be badly polluted-if not by radioactivity then by oil and junk from the five target ships that are now in the bottom of the lagoon. He was wrong I'm glad to say. Bikini Island looked just exactly the same as when we left it. The water was crystal clear, the palm trees just as beautiful and the tents where we donned our swimming trunks were undisturbed. So-and this is most importantwas the Officers Club. Met Murphy from Hooker Electrochemical who came as Lindley Murray's representative. Also saw Ted Hochwalt, Laughlin Currier, Al Baker, Benedict of Kellogg. They tell me that Bradley Dewey has decided to fly to Australia between tests in order to give some lectures to the chemical societies there.

#### 5 July 1946 7:45 a.m.

You've got to get up before breakfast to get anything accomplished these days. Yesterday morning we first inspected the Brule, an APA transport vessel. We saw some excellent shadows which gave us a chance to confirm the general motion that the burst came over the Sakawa. There was a lot of freak damage, like the boom being picked up and swung in an orbit around the deck, doors left open had swung shut with such force as to imbed themselves in their frames. The main deck was just pushed down three or four inches without more serious trouble than busting a few water lines and closing down on some of the upper berths.

Next we went to the Nevada-the orangered target center. We had to tie up along side an old rope ladder and shinny up the side to a ledge of the heavy armor platethen walk along that a few feet to an iron ladder to get over the next ledge to the deck. The Nevada is the heaviest construction of any ship I've ever been on. No wonder she didn't sink. The principal damage was done on deck, to the target material that had been placed there and to some of the superstructure. Most serious damage was on her stern, the blast coming at an angle of maybe 20 deg. from her axis. Planes were badly twisted and generally busted up. There had been a number of fires which had burned up the QM exhibits just as they had on the Independence and Saratoga.

Then to the Island by about 2:30. The club didn't open until 3:30 so Kirkbride. (Continued on page 125)

# CHEMICAL ENGINEERING in the Middle West

The Fourth National Chemical Exposition in Chicago again focuses attention on chemical engineering progress in the Midwest. Having contributed mightily to wartime production, process industries are losing no time in overcoming postwar bottlenecks and in taking advantage of wartime developments. Technological and economic improvements highlight this industrial progress.

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#### **HEAVY CHEMICALS**



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**M** UCH of the growth of the heavy chemicals industry in the Midwest over the past three years is a direct result of wartime expansion. Since the end of the war new construction has been limited to a few sulphuric acid plant additions and the conversion of at least one government ordnance plant to the manufacture of fertilizer.

This absence of expansion is a temporary condition only, probably brought about by the necessity of other construction activities which were neglected during the war. The present shortages of the basic chemicals, particularly alkalis, indicate increased expansion as soon as building materials be come more readily available.

Large expansions for the production of methanol by Du Pont and Carbide and Carbon were completed in West Virginia during the war. One plant for manufacturing anhydrous ammonia was constructed at Morgantown, a government installation operated by Du Pont.

Sun Oil Co. has constructed a carbon black plant at Toledo, Ohio. A carbide furnace with a capacity of 88,000 tons per yr. was built by Electro Metallurgical Co. at Bula. Facilities were increased at Hamilton, Ohio, by American Cyanamid Chemical Co. whereby 4,500 tons per quarter of dry and liquid alum can be produced. Recently, a contract was awarded for the construction of 177 byproduct coke ovens at Lorain, Ohio, for National Tube Co.

Construction activity at Midland by Dow during the war provided additional capacity for the production of chlorine and aqueous and anhydrous ammonia. At Marquette, expansion projects were followed for methanol and acetic acid. General Chemical enlarged its sulphuric acid plant at Detroit to a monthly capacity of 9,100 tons. Monsanto expanded the manufacture of industrial phosphates at Trenton.

Du Pont's phosphoric acid plant at East Chicago was expanded to 5,000 tons per yr. Since the war, Stauffer has built a sulphuric acid plant at Hammond, Ind.

Two sulphuric acid plants were enlarged at East St. Louis, Ill. Existing caustic soda, sulphuric acid and phosphorus facilities were also expanded here. Another sulphuric acid plant was built at Joliet, Ill. The government's synthetic ammonia plant at Baxter Springs, Kan., has been acquired by the wartime operators on lease. The plant is expected to be used to produce ammonium nitrate fertilizer. At West Henderson, Ky., the government constructed a large anmonia plant during the war which was operated by Solvay.

#### PAINTS AND VARNISH



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NEW TECHNIQUES for both quality and economy have come out of the wartime struggles of the midwestern producers of protective coatings. Continual replace ment of one scarce material after another has brought developments lasting in value beyond the war years.

Real economy in the use of coatings by industrial fabricators has been achieved in several ways. Application of lacquers has been made more economical by using heat to reduce viscosity to spraying consistency. thereby using less of the expensive ester-type solvents. Specially heated containers deliver lacquers high in non-volatile content to a spray gun for application to any surface.

Economy in the spraying of enamels on metal has been effected by applying a high electrostatic field between spray gun and object, thereby causing practically all of the enamel spray to fall on all sides, even the back, of the metal in a uniform coat without having to turn the object being sprayed. This innovation practically eliminates the accumulation of spray dust which the user of the enamel has had to discard or reclaim.

Similar economy is attained on metal objects dipped in enamel by subsequently passing the dipped objects through a high electrostatic field, which thereby expels "tears" of paint from where it tends to collect in any lower extremity prior to baking.

Emulsion paints for interior wall finishes experienced a tremendous expansion in production. These paints, being thinnable by water and giving a flat sheen upon drying, have had a wide appeal to the user since he could obtain a maximum of decorative effect with a short drying time and with a minimum of skill required. The complex nature of the formulation to guarantee emulsifiability with water represents a real achievement in colloidal chemistry, especially with the continually changing shortages in raw materials available for these emulsion paints.

A considerable improvement in quality and quantity of hydrocarbon resins produced from petroleum diolefins served to alleviate the wartime shortages of rosin esters and other coatings resins. These resins promise to be of permanent value, particularly since the diolefin raw material is likely to be even more available with the rapidly expanding chemical transformations of crude petroleum by the petroleum industry.

Exceptional high-heat resistance is an outstanding feature of silicone coatings which have been recently announced. These mark the first practical introduction of inorganic polymeric materials in the coatings industry; and although, expensive at present in contrast to the more traditional materials, they are likely to find an ever-increasing use in coatings for vigorous service conditions.

A superior drying oil, obtained by furfural extraction of linseed oil, became commercially important in alleviating the shortage of tung and oiticica oils. The difference in solubility of highly unsaturated triglycerides and the slower drying, more nearly saturated triglycerides, makes this separation possible.

2-Ethyl-hexoic acid, a new vehicle for the usual drying oil metallic catalysts, cobalt, manganese and lead, went into commercial production and marked an advance over the older linseed rosin and naphthalene vehicles. Greater drying efficiency and less odor are the principal advantages of this new vehicle.

#### PETROLEUM



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Most spectacular improvements in the petroleum field have been those made in cracking and in synthesis. Production of 100-octane gasoline during the war was the largest single task in organic chemical synthesis which has yet been undertaken. Alkylation of light olefins with isobutane, using sulphuric acid or hydrofluoric acid as catalyst, produced more than 18,000,000,000 lbs. per year of isooctanes-and alkylate was only 30% of the aviation gasolinc. Polymerization of olefins, followed by hydrogenation, also produced isooctane. Thousands of barrels per day of normal butane, pentane, and hexane were converted to isocompounds. Isopentane was also obtained from recycling plants which increased the production of natural gasoline.

Catalytic cracking, of the fluid and other types, was developed rapidly on a tremendous scale using data obtained from only a handful of pilot plants.

Other war contributions of petroleum research were toluene, heavy duty oils, cheaper butadiene for synthetic rubber, jellied gasoline for incendiaries, microcrystalline waxes for packaging, and greases which were unaffected by extremes of heat and cold.

Since the end of the war, much of the work has consisted of consolidating wartime gains through additional research. Further study of catalysts and operating conditions has brought about economies which permit more of the war plants to be used than had been expected. Toluene and other aromatics produced by hydroforming are being used for motor gasoline and for improved solvents. Alkylation is helping to compensate for the present nationwide shortage of tetraethyl lead. Though the ingenuity of chemical engineers, catalytic cracking units can now be constructed in sizes which permit small as well as large refiners to make use of this technological advance. Heavy duty motor oils with detergent, non-cor rosive, and non-oxidizing properties are now on the market.

New products not connected with the war are also beginning to appear, particularly chemicals synthesized from the more completely separated petroleum fractions now available. Petroleum base insecticides are making increasingly efficient use of the properties of DDT.

Most significant postwar advance, however, has been the perfecting to economic feasibility of methods for making liquid fuels from natural gas. Two 6,000 bbl.per-day plants are now planned for the Southwest, and will go into production within the next two or three years. This synthesis of hydrocarbon fuels will be accompanied by significant quantities of oxygenated products such as alcohols and aldehydros as well as gasoline and distillate fuels.

#### SOLVENTS



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**P**ROBABLY the most interesting development in the solvents field during the past year or two has been in connection with the formulation of protective coatings based on the newer types of film-forming materials. Under the stimulus of wartime needs these new coatings were studied intensively and their special properties utilized to solve unusual coating problems. Also ways were found of modifying the conventional methods of formulating and applying standard coatings—and to a degree which made them essentially new materials.

Among the coatings which have attracted special attention are those based on nylon, polyethylene and vinylidene resins, and new applications have been found for such materials as cellulose acetate, acetate-butyrate and triacetate, ethyl cellulose, the vinyls and various synthetic rubbers. These coating materials all involve special solvent problems which the industry is being called upon to answer. Even special methods of application—such as electrostatic spraying and the hot spraying of lacquer—contribute to the complexity of the formulator's problems and expand his demands for solvents and plas ticizers, tailor-made for particular jobs. MIDDLE WES

With reconversion problems at a minimum, the solvents industry has nevertheless faced a practically insurmountable problem in supplying the volume and variety of solvents demanded. Shortages of molasses, coal and other raw materials, equipment strained to the breaking point by years of high-pressure war production, and work stoppages all have aggravated the problem. Under these abnormal conditions the solvents and the protective coatings industries have had to exercise all of their ingenuity to supply even the essential requirements of their customers. It is not surprising that during this period many substitutions have had to be made by solvent users when the preferred materials were not available in adequate volume. As more normal conditions return-and it is certainly hoped that they don't become less normal-the day of substitutions will be over. When that day arrives each solvent-including the newer ones-will find its own niche, judged solely on a cost efficiency basis.

#### RUBBER



Howard E. Fritz, Vice President, B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio.

UTSTANDING in the Midwest's contributions to the rubber industry during the last several years, as in fact, for many years previously, has been that made by the research staffs of some of the great companies in the industry located in that area. Among the cities with such concentrations of the technical talent are Akron, Ohio, and Detroit, Mich. Prior to the war, some of these organizations had been engaged in research in varying degrees on synthetic rubber so that when the emergency came, the industry possessed a solid background of information and experience which was rap idly turned into practical accomplishments in the building of the synthetic rubber facilities, in the production of the material in its raw material form, as well as its utilization in the rubber factories.

Thus it was, that when the government embarked on its program of providing enough synthetic rubber capacity to meet the needs of the nation and its allies in prosecuting the war, these research groups formed the backbone of this effort. They took the synthetic rubber as originally made, and continued to improve it so that it would be more nearly equal to the natural product and, in addition, re-engineered various articles to make them superior in many cases to prewar products. This was particularly true in the case of the tires where the present product is, in some instances, superior in performance to the prewar casing because of the technical research poured into it.

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In addition to these technic: accomplishments, the rubber plants in the Midwest contributed a large proportion of the flood of products needed for the war effort. This was natural, because even with the scattering of production facilities throughout other areas in the country during the last several decades, a large proportion of rubber plants are still located in the Midwest.

One other important development in the midwestern rubber industry during the last few years has been the rapid expansion into the chemical and plastic fields. This is especially true with vinyl plastics where rubber machinery can be utilized with little or no change to process articles which outperform the previous natural rubber counterparts. This resulted in a net saving in the consumption of natural rubber. At the same time plastic products gave good account of themselves and rendered greater service than many of the old products had ever done before.

#### ALKALIS



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**D**URING the war, security requirements dictated that many of the nation's new plant facilities be placed in the Mid-West. This development accentuated a westward trend of many years. As a result there has been a rapid increase in production capacity for glass, chemicals, rayon, cellophane, soap and other chemical-consuming industries in the area from Cleveland to Omaha and Detroit to St. Louis. Expansion is continuing even though the war is over. Consequently, new facilities for basic chemicals are needed and Wyandotte Chemicals Corp. is participating in this program with a \$25,000,000 outlay for additions to plants at Wyandotte, Mich.

This program of expansion and diversification makes possible an increase in the corporation's sales by more than 30 percent by 1948. Included is increased capacity for almost all of the company's alkali products. Soda ash production will be stepped up by 15 percent. This additional output will be manufactured by the ammonia soda process already used but will include many process improvements. Chlorine capacity will also be increased. Improvements in the present method of producing caustic soda with special emphasis on the high quality requirements of the rayon industry are also a part of the expansion program.

Capacity for Wyandotte precipitated calcium carbonate will be more than doubled. Today this product is being used in coating of paper, reinforcing of rubber goods, baking powder manufacture, formulation of paints, printing inks, toothpaste, penicillin tablets and other consumer products. Through this development calcium carbonate has advanced from just "whiting" to the status of a fine chemical.

Diversification is a feature of the program in that Wyandotte will enter the organic chemicals field on a large commercial scale after producing inorganic chemicals and cleaning materials for over fifty years. Technical research indicated that the best field for diversification lay in the manufacture of organic chemicals, a large and rapidly growing industry. In 1944, it was decided that the company would enter the field of glycols and related compounds. It is anticipated that the new plant will be in production by the spring of 1947.

Principal product of the glycol unit will be a substantially pure grade mixture of ethylene and propylene glycols. This material is suitable for many of the uses in which ethylene glycol alone has heretofore been used and in addition has some industrial applications of its own. The uses referred to include automotive anti-freeze, dynamite, synthetic resins, cellophane and others.

Other products of glycol unit will include chloroethers, polyglycols, ethylene and propylene dichlorides and solvent naphthas. The plant will utilize a process not now in commercial operation. Principal raw materials will be petroleum, chlorine and lime, the two last mentioned already being produced by Wvandotte.

Another organic chemicals plant included in the program is a large scale commercial unit to be completed in the fall of 1947 for production of a synthetic detergent of the alkyl aryl sulphonate type. Long a supplier of caustic soda and soda ash to the soap industry, Wyandotte will market synthetic detergent as a companion product, enabling soap producers to improve their servicing of consumers in hard water areas.

#### RAYON



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USE OF rayon for tire cord was barely emerging from the trial stage by bus and truck fleet operators when the war started. Sparked by the impact of the war, this industry stepped up its experimental developments, shook loose from the field of fashionable fabrics and met the challenge posed by the loss of many of our supply sources of crude rubber.

Reports by pioneer users of rayon cord tires, later confirmed by the results of rigid tests conducted by the Army, established two important facts, rayon cord tires lasted longer and they required less rubber. This new, public concept and evaluation of rayon as a fiber which could meet the demands of war as well as please the eye for fashions was followed by a display of rayon's versatility which even today has not reached its limit.

The wartime role of rayon reached out beyond tire cord. It included parachutes and shroud lines, insulation for the vast communications network of the Signal Corps and the wiring systems of destroyers, bombers and searchlight controls for antiaircraft guns, linings for self-sealing gas tanks, uniforms, and cushion straps in helmets.

Here, in the Midwest, at Industrial's plants in Cleveland and Painesville. Ohio, the continuous process method of spinning viscose rayon, which performs the processes of spinning, washing, desulphurizing, bleaching, drying and twisting in one, continuous sequence of operations, had brought new standards of uniformity and strength to the manufacture of rayon. Tire yarn was coming off the continuous process machines in knotless lengths of more than 10 miles.

Two other major developments added new chapters to the manufacture of rayon tire cord. One was a complete break from the conventional method of "down-twisting" yarn into tire cord and the introduction in its place of "up-twisting" machines. Ninepound packages of continuous length cord were now possible as compared to packages of 0.6 to 1 lb. made by the conventional method. This technique enables a higher rate of production and, more important, secures greater strength for the tire cord by sharply reducing the abrasion normally encountered in twisting.

The second development was the application of electronic heat, by a process known as "Lektroset," to finished tire cord. Through the utilization of electronics, the twist in the tire cord is set and kinking and curling is prevented. The high degree of twist-stabilization thus obtained permits creel to calendar operation with rayon in tire manufacture and over-end warping on transfer creels at higher rates of speed.

#### PHOSPHATES

#### J. M. Gillet, Director, Commercial Research, Victor Chemical Works, Chicago, III.

THE PHOSPHORUS and phosphate industry in the midwestern area was fully occupied until a year ago with supplying the armed forces with munitions, foods, and sanitary supplies while at the same time supplying enough production to support the most urgent needs of the civilian economy. Thus no major developments in new prod ucts or uses were possible and plant expansions were limited to those absolutely essential to the war effort. Plants were run at maximum capacity month after month with no time out for more than emergency repairs, and as a result, the end of hostilities found the production facilities badly in need of rehabilitation.

In the meantime diversion of supplies from civilian to war purpose had piled up a large backlog of unfilled requirements. The industry was forced to choose between continued deterioration of manufacturing facili ties or repairing its plants with consequent postponement of supplying the civilian demand. The choice was a compromise. Modernization and repairs have been slow because of shortages of labor and equipment but plants are gradually increasing in operating efficiency. A large surplus of army phosphorus compensated in part for curtailed phosphorus production and this sur phis has been largely moved into useful civilian channels.

Shortages of alkalis, lime and coal aggravated by strikes, have however, still further postponed satisfaction of the demand. A new phosphorus plant is under construction in Florida and this constitutes the major item in the current expansion program in the industry. Many new phosphorus compounds, mostly organic, have been announced by the various research laboratories including surface active compounds of anionic, cationic and non-ionic types, new plasticizers, oil additions, resins. etc. but few have reached large scale production. Facilities for making some of these new products will probably be in line for construction when the current rehabilitation program has restored efficiency to the established branches of the industry.

#### LEATHER

#### Fred O'Flaherty, Director Department of Leather Research, Institute of Scientific Research, Cincinnati, Ohio.

URING the war years, research in sciences concerned with leather and its manufacture has received great stimulus. Some of the results are quite revolutionary and, in an industry based upon empirical development, this is very unusual. New synthetic tanning agents have been developed to augment and in some instances to replace older tanning materials. Examples of this are the zirconium tanning agents which produce more perfect white leathers. Synthetic materials are available from Rohm & Haas and Monsanto. In general, many substitutes have been used due to a critical shortage of previously used materials. It is surprising that in many instances the newly developed substitutes have proved superior and will continue to be used.

Developments in the field of plastics have had an influence on the leather industry. In some few instances such materials coated on fabrics have been used to replace leather, but a more important development is their use in connection with and as a part of leather. Plastic finishes are now being used regularly and improved materials are adding to the inherent quality of the leather.

Another interesting advance is the use of infrared installations in the drying of finishes on leather. Hoffman-Stafford Tanning Co. of Chicago has developed such installations which not only gives better leather but permits it to be made faster than ever before.

These developments are only the beginuing of a progressive trend in the advance of leather technology. Leather is rated the seventh most important material used by the military, and the War Department is thus underwriting an extensive program of fundamental research in the sciences concerned with leather. This will result in even better leathers and especially better military leathers. A typical example is the new flashout army chrome retainer shoe upper leather. MIDDLE WEST

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# Midwest Research Institute Catalyzes New INDUSTRY IN MID-AMERICA

When an individual, a community, or an entire region faces economic reverses, it can follow either of two courses. It can let itself run down without a struggle, or it can fight back. Mid-America, the region between the Mississippi and the Rockies, has chosen to fight back and the Midwest Research Institute is its strong right arm. Their banner: A balanced economy through industrialization.—Editors In outline that is the whole story; it remains only to fill in some of the substantiating data‡ and to show in some detail how the Institute operates.

#### SAD STATISTICS

As to the impact of technology on agricultural efficiency, we have the estimate of the Department of Agriculture that farmer productivity has increased 2.1 percent per year since 1900. Or in other words, the number of men required to produce the same crop on the same ground has been cut about in half. And that is probably a conservative estimate.

Conservative or not, it is a demonstrable fact that the section is suffering adverse trends in population. First, it has failed to keep pace with the rest of the country in growth of population; in 1900 it had about 13 percent of our total population, but only 10 percent in 1945. Furthermore, people are actually moving out of the area; Bureau of Census figures on civilian migration show a net outflow of almost 11 million persons between 1940 and 1945. It is thus evident that on a predominantly agricultural basis, the area is not able to offer its population a standard of living as attractive as other sections of the country. Actually, it can offer 10 percent of the country's population only S percent of the national income, enough to buy only 8.6 percent of all retail goods offered for sale in the U.S.

It is not hard to understand why the business leaders of the region blame this state of affairs on under-industrialization. They observe first that they really are light on industry, for with 10 percent of the population they account for only 5.8 percent of the country's manufacturing. They observe secondly that from 40 to 50 percent of the for-sale value of manufactured products consists of value added by manufacturing, and

**M** IDWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE occupies a unique position in the industrial aspirations of Mid-America,\* and there is good reason to believe that in two or three generations there will be as much industry in that area as there now is in the East. This region, ordinarily thought of as a larder, is ripe for an industrial flare-up, and Midwest Research Institute is doing its best to strike the sparks that will touch off the blaze. To understand just how ripe Mid-America is for industry, and how MRI figures in the picture, it is only necessary to look at the region's present state of economic affairs. Briefly, it goes like this:

1. First, and fundamental to the whole problem, is the fact that great strides have been taken in agricultural technique. Farm machines are taking the place of farm labor.

2. As a result, population and the general level of business activity are going downhill.

3. This downward trend is a matter of great concern to every business man in the area; they are awake to their plight and want to do something about it.

4. They see industrialization as the answer. They see their region in possession of all the prerequisites of industry—raw materials, fuel, transportation, and pools of capital and labor—all ready and waiting, and they realize that they themselves, the merchants, hotel keepers, public utility operators, real estate men, and just plain citizens, must make the first move to get the ball rolling.

5. For a long time this restless urge to "do something" resulted in no more than

\* By Mid-America is meant the tier of states between the Mississippi and the Rockies, from Canada to Mexico and the Gulf. local outbursts of nervous energy—clubs were formed, meetings held, speeches made, articles written, and campaigns conducted by chambers of commerce. None of this was very effective. It was more a symptom of the problem than a cure. What it lacked was coordination, staying power, and most of all, an organization that could provide a would-be entrepreneur with a concrete technical evaluation of his proposition.

6. These needs were supplied in 1943 when a group of public-spirited business and professional people in Kansas City, Mo., put up \$500,000 to found the Midwest Research Institute. They bought buildings,† filled them with the best men and equipment they could get, and handed over the job of transforming resources into smokestacks. With rare good fortune they got as working ad ministrators men with the ambition, the energy, and the talent to grab the ball and run with it. Like no one before them the executives of MRI are attacking the need for industrialization as a regional problem and they are conducting an all-out cam paign of press, radio, and word of mouth to sell the entire region on the benefits that science and industry can bring-and incidentally, selling the proposition that the most effective way to help the cause along is through cooperation with the Institute. Which is all to the good, because it gives the urge to "do something" a focal point. MRI, therefore, has all the prospects of providing real, if undeclared, headquarters for coordinating the movement to launch new industries based on regional resources.

† At 4049 Penna. Ave., Kansas City 2, Mo.

t The statistics given here apply only to the six states, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Jowa, Missouri and Arkansas, for which data are available. However, there is every reason to believe that complete data, if they were available on the rest of the region, would show the same pattern of industrial and economic want in the midst of plenty.

#### Mid-America's Natural Resources‡

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Wheat	04
Corn	32
Oate	32
Grain sorgbums	30
Soybeans	27
Cotton	20
Barley	17
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Cattle and calves	25
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Bauxite	96
Lead	55
Zinc	38
Fire clay	26
Petroleum	19
Natural gasoline	24
Natural gas	14
Forest Reserves	12 Mar 101 11
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that most of this wealth remains in the area where the manufacturing is performed. And they conclude that Mid-America is paying dearly for neglecting its opportunity to process its own raw materials.

#### INDUSTRIAL POTENTIAL

That the region has the raw materials to support industry and manufacturing is demonstrated in the accompanying table, where the region's major natural resources are itemized as percent of U.S. total. They make an impressive array.

There are other assets in addition to fuel and raw materials. Air, rail and highway transportation are all favored by the comparatively level terrain and all are growing; there is also to be considered the increasing

#### Twenty-One of the Forty-Eight Research Projects Established at M.R.I.

Industrial Projects Industrial Projects Granulation of NH<sub>3</sub>NO<sub>5</sub> Fertilizer Grain Sorghum Starch, Protein, and Oil Products from Glass Secondary Aluminum Control of Agricultural Fungi Reconversion Problems in Chemicals Non-Fuel Uses of Kansas Natural Gas Survey of Resources, Missouri Valley Chemicals by Fermentation of Grain Cleaning Agents Magnetic Sound Recorders Microbiological Culture Methods Rates of Chemical Reactions in Natural Gas Purification

#### **Regional Projects**

Industrial Uses for Agricultural Fibers Ceramic and Refractory Clay Utilization of Forest and Mill Wastes Chemical Treatment for Wood Surface Hardening Treatment for Soll Non-Fuel Uses for Petroleum, Nat. Gas Beneficiation of Marginal Ores Survey of Oklahoma and Arkansas Coal Regional Resources Map for Neb., Kan., Okla., Iowa, Mo. and Ark.

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attention being given to the development of the Missouri-Mississippi waterway for internal and deep-water shipping.

The area's industrial labor supply has expanded from roughly 500,000 industrial employees in 1940 to almost 1,000,000 in 1945, with wartime industries taking credit for the growth. Now that industry is retreating to prewar levels, some 400,000 of these industrial workers are "at liberty." As to the availability of capital, a quantity that is not readily measured, we must rely on the assurance of business leaders that it is there, and that investors are anxious to put money into new enterprises within the area. Though the section is hampered by the absence of an organized money market, projects requiring sums as large as \$2- to \$4-million have occasionally been financed locally, although it is customary to raise such large blocks of capital through the financial houses of Chicago or New York. However, even then the securities usually find their best market back in Mid-America.

#### **RESEARCH FOR A REGION**

That, then, was the environment into which the Midwest Research Institute was born. It had its inception at a two-day meeting held in June 1943 which was attended by representatives of business, industry, the professions, agriculture, and the colleges and universities of the area. The outcome was the incorporation of the Midwest Research Institute in December as a non-profit scientific Institute. The first project was initiated in August 1944, and by January 1945 it was a going concern, formally organized and with staffing and equipping underway.

Research activities of the Institute are divided into two categories, industrial and regional. As an industrial research institute it operates like Mellon Institute, Armour Research Foundation, and Battelle Memorial Institute; projects are financed by the sponsoring organization. As a regional research institute it undertakes investigations chosen by a "technical advisory committee" as being beneficial to the industrial development of the section as a whole; regional projects are financed by contributions and donations. Since the beginning of operations in January 1945 the Institute has undertaken 36 industrial and 12 regional projects, some of which are listed in the adjoining table. The thing to notice is the diversity of the investigations that the Institute has been able to undertake. In accepting projects from individual companies, priority is given to those which have a direct bearing on the economics of the area. Results of regional projects are published and widely circulated, but industrial projects are held confidential unless the sponsor gives specific authorization to reveal findings of the investigation.

So successful was the Institute during its first year that the trustees have decided to conduct a \$2-million fund raising campaign, \$1-million for new buildings and equipment and \$1-million to finance regional research. About \$20,000 has already been subscribed. A total in the neighborhood of \$500,000 has been appropriated to the Institute by sponsors in the form of industrial research contracts, and after only 16 months the industrial research operations have attained a self sustaining basis.

#### TOWARD A SOLID FRONT

It was recognized from the beginning that the effectiveness of the Institute would increase as more of the business and industrial leaders in the area became aware of its purpose and its work. Consequently a great many contacts have been made with these groups, and members of the staff have fulfilled well over 100 speaking engagements. One of the Institute's greatest assets is its president-director, Harold Vagtborg, who for the seven years prior to his move to MRI was director of the Armour Foundation in Chicago. It is largely through his enthusiasm for the job at hand that the Institute has been able to take hold so quickly as spearhead in the drive to unite the area in back of a common effort toward full development of the region's industrial potential.

Many of the educational institutions in the area have been visited and consultations held with the faculties to better acquaint them with the objectives of the Institute and the areas of possible collaboration. Industrialization of Mid-America will require every research facility available, and general acceptance of the Institute will enable it to become the most logical coordinator of research because of its multi-state concept. Although MRI is not formally affiliated with any educational body, it has placed research projects on behalf of industrial sponsors at the Kansas State College, University of Nebraska, Oklahoma A&M, and Texas A&M.

The Institute has been contemplating and expects soon to begin a cooperative educational program with the universities, whereby staff members will teach occasional special graduate courses. It is felt that such a program will prove beneficial, both in the stimulation provided staff members and the high quality of instruction made available to the universities.

One of the greatest single developments in recent years in the interests of the industrialization of Mid-America was the recent founding in Kansas City of the Linda Hall Library of the Sciences and Technology. The library has a \$61-million trust fund to work with and will undoubtedly become

one of the nation's strongest in the fields of science and technology. It is hoped that within two or three years it will be able to approach its goal of 100,000 titles and 1,500 periodicals. A very close liaison has been established between the Institute and the Library.

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The Institute has contributed to the organizing of the Technical Societies Council of the Kansas City Area and is rendering it secretarial service and handling the publication of its monthly bulletin. Further, MRI is actively encouraging the formation of a Midwest Research Council, a body that would be to the area what the National Research Council is to the nation, and whose functions would be (1) to coordinate all research effort in the area, and (2) to prepare and circulate periodic reports on new developments in all laboratories in and outside the area that have a bearing on the area's affairs.

One of the main activities of the staff is the rendering of a gratis consulation service to callers at the Institute who have problems of a technical nature. Already more than 200 such inquirers have been given advice on such varied subjects as the purchase of equipment, compounding of various chemicals, and the employment of technical personnel. No charge is made, for no laboratory work is required; the service is nevertheless a valuable builder of goodwill and an important factor in gaining recognition of the Institute as a center of technological development.

#### ORGANIZATION

The Institute's plan of organization is outlined in the accompanying diagram. Its trustees, now numbering over 100, are prominent figures in the fields of agriculture, industry. commerce, the professions, education, and the technical and public press. They are elected for the most part, but not exclusively, from the midwestern states and are chosen on the basis of ability to guide the Institute's general policies along lines of maximum service to the region. Twenty-one of the trustees are elected to the board of governors, in which is vested primary responsibility for the control and management of the Institute.

Real, full-time administrator of the Institute is the president-director, with the executive scientist functioning particularly as coordinator of the six main divisions of research. Of these six divisions, which were chosen after a careful survey of the needs of the region, five are now operative, the field of chemical engineering being carried temporarily as part of the applied physics division.

#### PLANT FACILITIES

Total staff of the Institute now numbers 83, with 50 on the technical staff and 33 in various service groups. On the resarch staff, 17 hold Ph. D. degrees, 8 M.S. degrees and 25 B.S. degrees. The Institute organization plan is patterned to establish the individual's responsibility, characteristic of the Mellon plan, but at the same time provide for staff attention to all projects, characteristic of the Battelle and Armour plans.

Laboratories and service departments now in operation are listed in an accompanying table. Although good progress has been made and excellent facilities are available, it is recognized that a great deal of equipment is still needed.

The Institute owns two buildings, rents a third, and has available 160 acres of land and buildings which are being developed as

#### Institute Laboratories and Service Departments Now in Operation

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a proving ground and experimental form. Present housing of the Institute is distinctly of a temporary nature, for the available space is already taxed to capacity. In fact, the Institute has had to decline about two thirds of the projects offered to it because of space limitations. Plans have already been made for a large new building in the Kansas City suburbs, although construction must wait until building conditions are more nearly normal.



# **TECHNICAL SOCIETIES** Organize for Greater Service to Midwest

ENGINEERING

Significant among Midwest developments is the trend toward formation of central technical societies organizations. In several of the major cities the various technical, engineering and scientific societies have grouped together to form a united front in promoting better interchange of ideas and greater service to both the individual technologist and the community. Cities in which these societies have joined forces include Cleveland, Chicago, Cincinnati, Kansas City, and others. Examples given show the aims and scope of these organizations.—Editors

#### **Chicago Technical Societies Council**

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A MONG the "War Babies" that have flourished and grown into successful peacetime enterprises, few portend greater things for the future than the Chicago Technical Societies Council. Already the largest organization of its kind, encompassing groups in widely divergent fields of engineering, science, and technology, the CTSC has an impressive record of achievement and a concrete, well planned program for the future.

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Early in 1943 the War Production Board petitioned the Chicago Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers to organize a War Production Clinic for the purpose of stimulating the output of war goods in the Chicago area. The WPB offered assistance to the project in the form of financial assurance and a mailing list, and suggested that the cooperation of other technical societies be secured. Sixteen other societies did cooperate and the combined efforts resulted in a conference that was successful beyond expectations. When the clinic was over and the books were being closed, the committee in charge found that they had a surplus of \$400 and, more important, an effective organization. "Why not," this group decided, "keep this organization alive to operate additional conferences and carry on other activities as the occasion may arise?" Out of a series of meetings held during the summer and early fall of 1943 the idea of the Chicago Technical Societies Council developed, and, in October, the CTSC was launched. At this time the founder societies were joined by others, so that the charter group comprised 32 societies.

Since then, as the organization has functioned and its values have become evident, other groups have become affiliated so that the CTSC now embraces 47 engineering, scientific, and technical societies having a total membership of approximately 19,500. The complete list of these societies is shown in the table. In no similar organization is there an affiliation of technical people having the divergence of interests covered by the CTSC member societies.

Growth and progress of the CTSC is indicated not only by this increase in size and representation alone, but more significantly by the interest shown in its activities and its recognition by civic, governmental, institutional, and other public groups as the general representative of technical people in Chicago.

The council proper is composed of one delegate and one alternate from each member society having less than 100 members and two delegates and alternates from the larger societies, a total of 87 delegates and 87 alternates in all. From this group are elected a board of directors, who in turn select committee chairmen and personnel. In some cases committees are bolstered by non-delegate or alternate members of affiliated societies, particularly where it is possible to obtain representation from corresponding committees within the member societies. The CTSC has an office at 53 W. Jackson with a full time, paid executive secretary, Mr. Paul A. Jenkins, in charge.

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#### MEMBERSHIP

In order for a society to be eligible for membership in the CTSC, it must be located in Chicago or vicinity, its membership must be predominately composed of persons engaged in engineering, technical, or scientille work, its principal aim must be the furtherance of the particular field covered by that society, and its membership must be open to anyone possessing the necessary technical qualifications for admission to that society. The entire local membership of each constituent society is automatically affiliated with the CTSC and is entitled to its privileges. Member societies and their constituents pay no dues or fees to the CTSC and assume no financial obligation for its operation. The Chicago Technical Societies Council is entirely self-supported by income from its publications, the Sci-En-Tech News and the Sci-En-Tech Register and from the annual Chicago Production Conference and Show. This income provides all funds for the maintenance and operation of the CTSC office, for the operation and activities of the committees, and for all other expenses. Philosophy of the CTSC, the objectives

set forth by its founders, and the stimulus to its phenomenal growth are summarized in the stated purposes of the organization:

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1. To provide a medium for cooperative action by the engineering, technical, and scientific societies in Chicago and vicinity on matters of mutual interest which are beyond the scope of the individual societies or which can be performed better by cooperative action.

2. To provide a means for more effective public service by the member societies.

3. To cultivate greater appreciation by the public of the part which technology, engineering, and science has contributed to human welfare.

#### BASIC OBJECTIVES

Importance of these purposes is becoming increasingly apparent as current events bring the technical man into unprecedented prominence and the nation comes to him for answers to its problems with ever greater frequency.

Furtherance of these purposes forms the basis for the activities assigned to the CTSC committees. Realizing that in the past many benefits have been relinquished due to the very limited inter-communication and mutual assistance among the technical societies, as a primary step these committees have undertaken to bring about a high order of cooperation and understanding among its affiliates. Committee activities are further directed towards service to the member societies, their constituents, Chicago indus-try, and the citizens of Chicago. The achievements of these committees form an imposing record which is a cribute to the unanimity and cooperativeness of Chicago's technical societies. Future objectives and programs, including specific actions required for their fulfillment have been formulated after careful and thoughtful planning which has taken into account the realities of committee work.

The conference committee is charged with the planning and preparation of the annual Chicago Production Conference and Show. From modest beginnings in the 1943 War Production Clinic, which was a one-day conference consisting of 24 panel sessions and general meetings at luncheon and dinner, this event has matured in successive years to culmination in a three-day conference and exhibit that is an important item on the agenda of Chicago technical, business, and production men. The 1946 Conference, cen-tering on the theme "Production for Profit" was held on March 20-22, 1946, at the Stevens Hotel. Approximately 2500 persons attended the 46 panel sessions covering subjects from personnel problems to bridge building. Many thousands viewed exhibits by some 100 manufacturers. Other features of this show were educational exhibits by

the Museum of Science and Industry, the John Crerar Library, Iowa State University, the Chicago Plan Commission, and the War Assets Administration.

#### INTERCHANGE IDEAS

Facts and figures demonstrate the enthusiasm with which these conferences have been received and indicate their effectiveness as a service to the Chicago area. In addition to providing business and production men with information from exper s on newest and most efficient production methods, technical people are provided with a means of "cross fertilizing" ideas with one another. Chemists learn what radio engineers are doing, and mechanical engineers find out what's new in the field of plastics, and so on. Plans already under way for next year's conference and show indicate that it should surpass its predecessors.

The publicity committee is responsible for securing proper publicity of CTSC activities, and has been notably successful, particularly in connection with publicity for the 1946 conference and show. In recent months several local radio stations have expressed interest in the CTSC as a source of program material. This committee also has a program for increasing the effectiveness of the individual publicity efforts of the member societies by a series of meetings with their Publicity Chairmen.

A news committee serves as consultant to the editor of the CTSC monthly publication, the Sci-En-Tech News. Original conception of the "News" envisioned it as a calendar of meetings of the member societics. The present Sci-En-Tech News contains 16 to 20 pages and includes, in addition to complete announcements of all member society meetings, information and news concerning these societies, reports of council meetings and activities, information concerning legislation affecting the technical professional, news of councils in other citics, book reviews, editorials, articles of interest to the society members, and advertising matter. The Sci-En-Tech News is mailed without charge to all members of the affiliated societies.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

The register committee is the advisory group to the publisher of the Sei-En-Tech Register. This publication is the "Who's Who" of Chicago technical people, listing with pertinent data all of the members of the affiliated societies. The first issue of the register was published in 1945, and subscquent issues will be prepared at suitable intervals. The register is available only to the members of the CTSC societies, it is not sold to outsiders. The technical people in Chicago who have copies of the register find it of great assistance in connection with their society work and professional contacts.

A building committee is charged with the formulation of plans for the acquisition of a suitable building to accommodate the activities of all Chicago technical societies. During the past two years this committee has held a number of conferences with persons and groups particularly interested in such a building. One such conference

Organization chart of the Chicago Technical Societies Council

	MEMBER SOCIETIES - (47) Amendments - Referendums			
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was held at the request of Mayor Kelly of Chicago with the chairman of the Chicago Plan Commission who outlined tentative plans for a great civic center to replace blighted areas surrounding Chicago's loop. A Chicago Technical Societies' Building is possible in this group. Several of Chicago's universities and colleges have expressed interest in joint occupancy of a building with the technical societies.

During the coming year the building committee plans to prepare a complete prospectus of specifications, financing, etc., suitable for fund raising purposes. A functional analysis of the proposed building will be made expressed in terms of areas needed for each purpose the building must serverefectory, meeting place, committee rooms, social rooms, etc .-- so that definite floor plans, general specifications, and cost estimates can be drawn up. The committee will also work with the Chicago Plan Commission and the city government in considering the availability and desirability of possible building locations.

#### FMPLOYMENT

The employment committee has during the past year carried on a highly commendable program of placing in suitable positions discharged servicement having technical training. This program has been a cooperative effort with other groups under the leadership of the Chicago Business Vocation Committee. Vcterans being discharged at Great Lakes Naval Training Station or Fort Sheridan who have specialized training or aptitudes are screened to the Chicago Business Vocation Committee. Veterans having technical abilities are referred to the CTSC office where they are interviewed so that they can be most effectively placed in positions that are available. Council members in the several general fields covered by its

affiliates do the interviewing, and a high record of successful placement has been achieved. Over 300 men have been interviewed to date. Plans are under consideration to continue this type of service on a permanent basis.

The meeting place committee compiles a directory of meeting and refectory facilities in Chicago suitable for holding technical gatherings of all kinds, as a service to and in cooperation with corresponding committees within the societies.

Comprised of the program chairman of the CTSC constituent societies, the program committee has compiled a summary of society meeting dates and places. As a result of their efforts conflicts in meeting dates have been largely avoided. In addition to this, the program committee has the responsibility for joint programs, exchange of speakers, and general program cooperation among the societies. This phase of the work dovetails with the "cross fertilization" brought about at the conference panel sessions, which is vitally important to progress along broad scientific fronts.

During the past year the educational committee organized a series of educational sessions which followed regular council meetings. Forum type meetings were held around subjects having great current interest to technical people, such as technical employment, licensing, patent legislation, technical education and the technical man in society. The educational committee was responsible for a series of Sunday afternoon popular lectures on scientific subjects held at the Museum of Science and Industry. The programs for each of these lectures were arranged by one or a group of the constituent societies, and were attended by several thousands of visitors to the Museum. This series will be resumed in the fall.

It is proposed that this committee make an evaluation of trade and professional

#### **Chicago Technical Societies Council Members**

American Association of Cereal Chemists American Association of Engineers American Association of Scientific Workers American Association of Spectrographers American Ceramic Society American Chemical Society American Electroplater's Society American Electroplater's Society American Institute of Architects American Institute of Chemists American Institute of Chemical Engineers American Institute of Electrical Engineers American Industrial Hygiene Association American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers American Industrial Radium and X-Ray Society American Pharmaceutical Association American Society of Agricultural Engineers American Society of Civil Engineers American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers American Society for Metals American Society of Mechanical Engineers American Society of Refrigerating Engineers American Society of Tool Engineers

American Society for Testing Materials Association of Vitamin Chemists American Welding Society Chemical Arts Forum Chicago District Enamels Club Chicago Dairy Technology Society Chicago Professional Paper Group Chicago Rubber Group Electrochemical Society Industrial Engineers Association Illuminating Engineers Society Institute of Food Technologists Institute of Industrial Engineers and Executives Industrial Management Society Institute of Radio Engineers Instrument Society of America Illinois Society of Engineers Physics Club of Chicago Society for the Advancement of Management Society of American Military Engineers Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine

Society of Illinois Bacteriologists

Society of Plastics Engineers Western Society of Engineers

schools in Chicago and serve as an advisory body on technical and scientific curricula. The Chicago Public School Investigating Committee in a recent report to the mayor recommended the CTSC as one of eight groups to be represented on a commission for the nomination of members of the Public School Board. This representative has been selected and his name submitted to Mavor Kelly.

#### SERVICE TO PUBLIC

To this committee is assigned the task of compiling lists of scientific and technical extension courses offered by colleges in the Chicago area and also lists of lectures and cultural courses given by museums, libraries, ctc., which might be of interest to CTSC affiliates. It is proposed that the educational committee act as a clearing house for information for students from other nations.

The library committee has undertaken to increase the usefulness of the technical library facilities in the Chicago area. Accomplishments of this committee during the past year include obtaining evening hours at the John Crerar Library-making available to the members of constituent societies a "Directory of Libraries of the Chicago Area"-furnishing technical periodicals to the military hospitals in the Chicago areaand maintaining a library page in the Sci-En-Tech News.

CTSC library committee was represented at a business and industry library investiga tion meeting along with leading Chicago librarians, business, industry, and research people.

As objectives for the future the library committee proposes to institute in cooperation with other groups, a survey of its present state of Chicago's technical library facilities and services, and to formulate concrete proposals for improvements.

A research promotion committee was originated as a wartime service to industry. Future activities of this committee were presaged during panel sessions at the 1946 conference at which the values of a research program were enumerated, and ways and means for carrying such a program in a small business were outlined.

The government and public relations committee served during the war years as a clearing house for the evaluation of enemy alien patents and certain inventions submitted to aid war production. During the past year this committee has held conferences with authorities in the field of civic affairs and social sciences, so that it is prepared to undertake its role as advisory body to the technical societies on civic affairs and matters of government. One proj ect that will probably get underway during the next year is the compilation of a hand book of local government which should



make technical people in the Chicago area better acquainted with the realities of their local government and encourage them to individual participation in local governmental affairs. A legislative sub-committee will continuously study and, through the news colums of the Sci-En-Tech News, report on national and state laws and legislative trends affecting the professional status of members of the CTSC affiliated societies.

In the early stages of the council's growth,

it was not contemplated that all committees would show immediate achievement. A few projects were selected for concentrated effort which seemed to offer the possibility for immediate service to the affiliated societies, while longer range objectives were superficially explored by their respective committees. In recent months, under the stimulus of the functional vice presidents and the council's executive secretary, long range objectives have been translated into the specific.

#### **Engineering Society of Cincinnati**

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FROM a modest beginning in 1888, Cinengineering societies in the country. During the years preceding the war a need was felt for a permanent headquarters. A suggestion was made that a building program be undertaken as a memorial to the late Harman Schneider, founder of the co-operative system of education and for 33 years dean of the College of Engineering and Commerce at the University of Cincinnati.

Eighty-nine Cincinnati industries organized as the Herman Schneider Foundation, responded to the proposal under the leadership of Mr. F. V. Geier, president of The Cincinnati Milling Machine Co., and on March 15, 1944, a new permanent headquarters was presented to the engineers of Cincinnati.

#### BUILDING FACILITIES

The building is used jointly by 19 member societies of the Cincinnati Technical Societes Council, comprising some 4,000 members of which 1,282 are members of the Engineering Society. Not only has the building greatly stimulated the interest and participation in the organized professional societies in the Cincinnati area, but during the past year it provided accommodations for approximately 185 meetings attended by over 18,500 people.

The building houses an auditorium capable of seating 500 people, a memorial library dedicated to Dean Herman Schneider, a reception lounge, offices, dining room, kitchen and several small committee rooms.

The Engineering Society manages the building for the Herman Schneider Foundation, and also acts as the business agent for the "Engineer and Scientist," official publication of the Technical and Scientific Societies Council of Ciucinnati, The publication, which is in the form of a weekly

paper, contains announcements of all society activities and editorial material of local technical interest. In addition, a 180-page directory is printed annually listing each society organization, its officers, committees, and personnel. The Engineering Society also sponsors a weekly radio program covering activities of all societies and interviews with visiting speakers. The program, "Science Looks Ahead," is a joint educational feature of the local Columbia network station WKRC, and it may be heard each Tuesday at 10:45 p.m.

#### ORGANIZATION

The society activities are administered by a president and nine directors, assisted by a staff of four people, a public relations counsel, and an advertising manager for the publication. The president is elected annually and three directors are elected each year for a three-year period. Each director sponsors a segment of the organization responsibilities such as programs, house operations, membership, finance, fellowship, etc. The society has over 40 committees of which eight are engaged in program activities, including major technical programs, joint programs with other societies, a woman's auxiliary, Sunday family meetings, inspection trips, numerous hobby and bridge programs, and two weekly noon luncheon groups serving constituents in different sections of the city.

Several of the committees also work in the fields of professional development and public affairs. Vocational guidance counseling for high school seniors is a service project which is making a contribution in the field of education. Another committee concerns itself with legislation affecting the engineer, and still another is interested in the development of the relationships among engineering societies, both local and national.

The scope of the work in public affairs is

programs described in the preceding paragraphs. The CTSC has, as a result, progressed into a mature organization capable of accepting the responsibilities placed in it.

The Chicago Technical Societies Council stands as a symbol of the results that are possible when engineers, scientists, and technologists apply the scientific method to their common problems, and foreshadows a better society when they apply this sort of effort to broader fields.

indicated by the names of the several committees in this field. They are: Regional Planning. Anti-Pollution, Atmospheric Stream Sanitation and Water Supply, Transportation and Traffic, River Development, Aviation and Airport Development.

#### FINANCES

The annual operating expenses including publication activities will be approximately \$30,000 for the current season. The major part of this revenue is raised by membership ducs, which vary from \$7 to \$15 per year for various grades of membership with a rebate of \$2 to each resident member who maintains active status in one or more of the professional societies. Each society affiliated with the council contributes 75c. per year as a subscription fee to the directory and weekly publication for each of its members. An additional 10c. per member is also provided to finance a combined meeting of all the societies usually held in February. In 1946, over 1,400 members attended this meeting.

The growth of the Cincinnati Society is primarily attributed to the closely affiliated Council organization and the permanent headquarters valued at \$150,000. The council is now entering its eleventh year and is one of 34 similar councils in the country, many of which are patterned after the Cincinnati organization. In addition to the Engineering Society, the following local sections of national engineering societies also participate in the Cincinnati Council:

#### **Member Societies**

American Chemical Society American Electroplaters Society American Fourdymen's Society American Foundymen's Association American Institute of Architects American Institute of Chemical Engineers American Institute of Electrical Engineers American Society of Civil Engineers American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers

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- American Society of Mechanical Engineers American Society for Metals American Society of Refrigerating Engineers American Society of Tool Engineers

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Society for the Advancement of Management Society of American Military Engineers.

### INTEREST TURNS TO EQUIPMENT

CONCIDENT with the fall meeting of the American Chemical Society, during the five days of September 10 through 14, Chicago will play host to the Fourth National Chemical Exposition, sponsored since 1940 in the even numbered years by the Chicago Section of the ACS. As in 1944 the scene of the event will be the Chicago Coliseum which provides a great deal more space for the exhibits than was previously available at hotels. In fact, it has been necessary to open up still more space than was used in 1944, to accommodate the approximately 200 exhibitors scheduled to be present.

As on earlier occasions we have approached exhibitors in certain classifications with the request that we be provided advance information for publication on what would be exhibited, and particularly on what that would be shown was new since the last previous showing of the same exposition, two years before. From our coverage we have omitted chemicals as such, although not those chemicals that have materials of construction uses; publishers; societies; and factory site development agencies. Included here, so far as we received information, are the exhibits on plant equipment, construction materials, packaging equipment and supplies, and plant and laboratory control equipment and apparatus.

#### Aetna Scientific Co., Everett 49, Mass. (Booth 168)

Will Exhibit: Laboratory and production equipment including a solution still designed to yield pyrogen-free water for purposes requiring water of the utmost purity, such as ampoule and other work. Also the company will show an industrial autoclave with a full-opening door, as well as a rollingdoor autoclave. Once again *Chemical Engineering* brings advance word on the exhibits at the National Chemical Exposition at Chicago to its readers, so that those who attend may spot points of interest before reaching the Show, while those who do not may know what they are missing. Each Chicago Show has been bigger than the one that preceded it and this one gives evidence of exceeding previous records by a considerable margin, both in interest and in attendance. Occurring at the same time as the Fall meeting of the American Chemical Society, September 10 to 14, the Show gives Chicago the opportunity of rivalling New York as the center for chemical equipment display.—*Editors* 

#### American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp., New York 20, N. Y. (Booth N49)

Will Exhibit: Ionac ion-exchange resins and their use in demineralizing units for producing chemically pure water.

American Pulverizer Co., Chicago 5, Ill. (Booth N31)

Will Exhibit: A small working model of the company's American Ring Crusher, showing details of construction and the manner in which the rolling rings and adjustable grinder plate operate.

#### H. Reeve Angel & Co., New York 7, N. Y. (Booth 112)

Will Exhibit: Plant and laboratory filter papers of Whatman and Reeve Angel types.

#### Barco Mfg. Co., Chicago 40, Ill. (Booth N20)

Will Exhibit: Several types of flexible-ball, swivel and revolving joints including standard Barco ball joints for loading and unloading line service and for the elimination of



breakage in piping due to vibration; swiver joints for all types of movable steam and hydraulic plates and headers; and revolving joints for continuous rotating service.

Barnstead Still & Sterilizer Co., Forest Hills, Boston 31, Mass. (Booth 154)

Will Exhibit: Automatic water stills, water purity meters, and water demineralizing equipment, including the company's latest type of four-stage unit.

New: This concern is now offering fourstage demineralizing units including two anion exchange stages and two cation exchange stages so arranged that the flow passes in series through two complete twostage units, thus permitting much longer operation between regenerations and also, according to the manufacturer, making possible much greater purity of demineralized water.

Bemis Bro. Bag Co., St Louis 2, Mo. (Booths 37-38)

Will Exhibit: All types of bags made by this concern, with special emphasis placed on multi-wall bags, shipping sacks and waterproof paper-lined textile bags of types used extensively in the chemical industry.

Bjorksten Laboratories, Chicago 1, Ill. (Booth 67)

Will Exhibit: A variety of displays illustrating the industrial research service offered by this laboratory to industry.

New: A package known as the "Walpouch," which is constructed of 0.0025 gage aluminum foil, somewhat in the form of an envelope, but suitable for the packaging of moisture-sensitive materials in small units. The Walpouch is said to hold 3 oz. of powdered material. 4 oz. of liquid, or 6 oz.

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of semi-liquid material, and to withstand a pressure of 12 lb.

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#### The Bristol Co., Waterbury 91, Conn. (Booths N53-N54)

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Will Exhibit: A wide variety of industrial control instruments featuring continuous pH controls; a new bellows differential flow meter; a time-temperature controller; and an impulse-sequence cycle controller. In addition the company will display a running time recorder, a recording ammeter, a direct-reading humidity and temperature recorder, a Free-vane recording electronic thermometer controller, an air-operated Freevane indicating thermometer, a reset Freevane air-operated controller; and an airoperated flow controller.

New: Of these instruments, the most recent design is the new bellows differential flow meter. A new type of shaft-seal without packing is used for transmitting motion from the bellows to the recorder mechanism.

#### Brown Instrument Co., Philadelphia 44, Pa. (Booths N34-N35)

Will Exhibit: A wide variety of industrial control instruments including flow meters, electronic instruments, recording control thermometers, this company's new adjustable Indexet, pressure controllers, pneumatic transmitters and receivers and other new and improved models.

New: The adjustable Indexet is a new pneumatic receiving instrument for automatic control to which two new mechanisms have been added to facilitate adjustment to the process. There is an adjustment for "span" and another for "zero shift."

#### The Carpenter Steel Co., Welded Alloy Tube Div., Roselle, N. J. (Booth 124)

Will Exhibit: Stainless steel tubing, sanitary stainless steel tubing, and fittings for use with stainless steel tubing.

New: Flexible stainless tubing recently developed by fabricators working in conjunction with this concern.

#### Chamberlain Engineering Corp., Akron 9. Ohio (Booth 163)

Will Exhibit: A new protective coating. New: This coating, known as Neolac, is an all-plastic maintenance coating for protecting process equipment, structural steel. wood and concrete against corrosion. The material is said to have high resistance to both acids and alkalis, and unusually low absorption characteristics.

#### Chicago Pump Co., Chicago 18, Ill. (Booth 63)

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Will Exhibit: This company's wide-band air diffusion system for aeration, mixing, oxgenation and flocculation in chemical and microbiological processes.

#### Corning Glass Works, Corning. N. Y. (Booth 72)

Will Exhibit: A representative line of this company's laboratory ware and apparatus emphasizing: low actinic ware for vitamin research, volumetric ware, fritted ware for controlled filtration, ground joints of both sleeve and ball and socket types.

#### Distillation Products, Inc., Rochester 13, N. Y. (Booth 138)

Will Exhibit: A complete high vacuum system and a high vacuum gage. A feature will be a large graph showing the range in which this company's many high vacuum gages operate.

New: Large pictures will illustrate new developments that have been made in vacuum coating systems of both laboratory and very large production size.

#### Durametallic Corp. Kalama-700 24F, Mich. (Booth 119)

Will Exhibit: Displays illustrating the functions and applications of this company's packing and mechanical sealing devices. showing various types of Durametallic packings for special jobs. The display will also high-light flexible handled tools.

#### Emery Carpenter Container Co., Chicago 38, Ill. (Booth 97)

Will Exhibit: A variety of fiber drums for dry and semi-solid materials in capacities from 1 to 56 gal. New: This company's Pres-To-Form drums and Pres-To-Form Specials for dry and semi-solid commodities will be shown. These containers are of solid kraft and their tops and bottoms are formed, without cutting or scoring, in hydraulic presses.

#### Eppenbach, Inc., Long Island City 1, N. Y. (Booth N17)

Will Exhibit: Colloid mills and other mix ing and homogenizing equipment, as well as stainless steel kettles.

New: The Agi-Mixer, a combination paddle mixer and homogenizer.

#### Fansteel Metallurgical Corp., North Chicago, Ill. (Booth 79)

Will Exhibit: A complete, full-scale gluten hydrolizing plant of tantalum and Haveg, one of several which this company has built for export to China. In the plant gluten (usually soybean flour) is digested with hot hydrochloric acid, the latter being evapor ated and recovered, leaving a residue of glutamic acid in a state of high purity.

#### Fisher Governor Co., Marshalltown, Iowa (Booth 7)

Will Exhibit: A variety of devices for pressure control and liquid level control, including diaphragm-actuated control valves such as are used with industrial instruments in the chemical industry.

#### Fisher Scientific Co., St. Louis 3, Mo. (Booth 78)

Will Exhibit: A wide variety of laboratory and industrial control devices, plus laboratory apparatus,

New: This company's unitized laboratory furniture; also a Crystalab Ultra-Sonorator, a supersonic generator providing in a commer-



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cially manufactured instrument a device for the production of supersonic vibrations.

General Ceramics & Steatite Corp., Keasbey, N. J. (Booth 114)

Will Exhibit: A new line of high-fired porcelain chemical process equipment. On display will be a porcelain tower, kettle, cylindrical vessel, pumps and miscellaneous pipe, fittings and electrolytic diaphragms.

#### Glascote Products, Inc., Cleveland 17, Ohio (Booth 77)

Will Exhibit: A small stainless steel reaction vessel for laboratory and pilot-plant work, a glass-lined reactor for pilot-plant, semi-works or small production use; and a cutaway section of an agitator stuffing box similar to that used on glass-lined tanks.

#### Groen Mfg. Co., Chicago 39, Ill. (Booths N21-N22)

Will Exhibit: Stainless steel steam jacketed kettles and special chemical processing equipment, with and without motor-driven agitators.

#### Hart-Moisture Meters, New York 17, N. Y. (Booth N46)

Will Exhibit: Plant control instruments, including moisture meters.

New: Several new types and various new accessories including portable, electronic instruments for making instantaneous moisture content determination in plants and laboratories, as in paper, chemicals, etc.

#### Hasco Valve & Machine Co., Milwaukee 3, Wis. (Booth 80)

Will Exhibit: Valves and fittings in stainless 316, Hastelloy, nickel, Monel, Inconel and aluminum, as well as heaters for water and acids, and possibly a new stainless steel expansion joint.

### Haveg Corp., Newark, Del. (Booth 94)

Will Exhibit: Corrosion resisting equipment of many types for plant use, based on synthetic resins combined with asbestos or graphite.

New: Haveg grade 60, an adaptation of the furane type resin. The material is suitable for molding large-scale plant equipment and is said to be the first material of this nature which is entirely resistant to both acids and alkalis and to a number of solvents. This material is said to be tough, non porous and rigid, suitable for use at boiling temperatures.

#### Heil Process Equipment Corp., Cleveland 11, Ohio (Booth N23)

Will Exhibit: A complete line of tank linings for industrial use, including steel tanks with any required lining, an exhaust hood, tank heating equipment, and baskets or crates for handling material into and out



of tanks. Linings include synthetic rubber, Koroseal, various thermoplastics, lead, ceramics, carbon brick and special metals.

#### Illinois Water Treatment Co., Rockford, Ill. (Booth 29)

Will Exhibit: Water demineralizing equipment in laboratory and small commercial sizes.

New: Three new models of this company's equipment will be shown including models having flow rates of 12, 60 and 100 g.p.h.

#### Industrial Lining Engineers, Inc., Edgeworth, Pa. (Booth 115)

Will Exhibit: Vinyl rubber tank and equipment linings, showing repairability of this material. Such linings are said to possess most of the chemical resistances of conventional linings but to be more resistant to oxidation and oils. Mechanical injuries caused by accidental impact may be repaired by unskilled workmen in a matter of minutes. The exhibit will also show polycthylene and some 30 synthetic rubber and plastic linings for tanks and equipment.

#### Jensen Machinery Co., Bloomfield, N. J. (Booth 105)

Will Exhibit: This company's industrial chilled water unit, cut away to show the patented feature which enables water to be cooled to 32 deg. F. without freeing on to the unit.

#### The Johnson Corp., Three Rivers, Mich. (Booths 35-36)

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Will Exhibit: Working models showing operation and application of this company's rotary pressure joints, automatic boiler-water level control and pressure equalizing boiler feed pump. The company will also exhibit an instantaneous steam water heater, compressed air and steam separators, compressed air aftercoolers and the Johnson Electrap, a condensate return trap.

#### W. H. Kessel & Co., Chicago 10, Ill. (Booth N29)

Will Exhibit: Plant and laboratory control equipment including pH meters, refractometers, photomacrographic equipment, carbon determination equipment, other optical instruments.

#### Kieley & Mueller, Inc., North Bergen, N. J. (Booth 155)

Will Exhibit: Diaphragm valves, pressure regulators and pump governors.

New: A new line of Kontrol Motor diaphragm valves, pressure regulators, and pump governors will be introduced at the Show, in a variety of corrosion resisting alloys and in many sizes and types. The display will show all-steel, boltless diaphragm motors and a complete new line of valve bodies.

#### Lead Industries Association, New York 17, N. Y. (Booth 10)

Will Exhibit: Different chemicals which may be and are handled in lead or leadlined equipment; various methods of installing lead tank linings to meet various practical conditions; methods of hanging and supporting lead pipe for handling corrosive chemicals; lead heating and cooling coils, pumps, valves and special fittings.

#### Loeb Equipment Supply Co., Chicago 22, Ill. (Booths 24-25)

Will Exhibit: Alsop Hy-Speed and Slo Speed portable electric mixers, as well as Scaled Disk filters, steam-jacketed stainless steel kettles and bottle filling machines produced by the same manufacturer.

#### Macbeth Corp., New York 11, N. Y. (Booth N12)

Will Exhibit: This company's line-operated pH meters and color-matching equipment. The pH meters are direct reading and continuous indicating. The color matching M I D D E W E T L S

equipment duplicates-for exact color matching identification-ideal, overcast, north-sky daylight conditions.

#### The Master Package Corp., Owen, Wis. (Booth 104)

Will Exhibit: A variety of fiber shipping drums and pails in a wide range of sizes. The drums range from 1 to 311 gal. capacity and the pails from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $6\frac{1}{2}$  gal.

#### The McIntyre Co., Newton 58, Mass. (Booths 13-14)

Will Exhibit: A complete line of small rotary positive-displacement hydraulic and metering pumps, in six series, and three series of fluid motors,

#### Moore Products Co., Philadelphia 24, Pa. (Booth 137)

Will Exhibit: A variety of automatic control equipment, all of which will be shown in operation on miniature processes or on typical test room procedures.

New: All equipment shown will be rela tively new, including a brand new Nullmatic controller for flow, temperature and other variables, a new Nullmatic thermometer used as a primary element on a miniature control process, and other slightly less recently developed equipment including a differential pressure transmitter which will be shown combined with two thermometers to indicate differential temperature, a self-contained flow controller. a Nullmatic liquid level gage, a constant differential relay, a liquid level controller of the flexible shaft type, a valve positioner, and a Nullmatic pressure regulator.

#### The Moto-Truc Co., Cleveland 3, Ohio (Booth N8)

Will Exhibit: Platform, pallet and highlift trucks, all of which have been improved in a number of details since the last show.

National Carbon Co., New York 17, N. Y. (Booths 85-86)

Will Exhibit: Equipment constructed of standard carbon, graphite and Karbate, particularly for absorption-stripping operations. The setup demonstrates the application of standard towers, raschig rings, a cascade cooler, a seven-tube heat exchanger, centrifugal pumps equipped with flexible couplings and nozzles, globe valves, flexible couplings, slotted couplers, pipe and fittings. Two types of standard Karbate plate heaters will also be shown, together with Karbate bayonct and shallow-tank heat exchangers.

#### National Technical Laboratories, South Pasadena, Calif. (Booth N41)

Will Exhibit: A complete line of this company's instruments for pH indicating, recording and controlling, as well as Beckman quartz spectrophotometers and infrared spectrophotometers.

New: A new a.c. portable glass-electrode pH meter said to feature unusual stability of operation and reproducibility of measurement will be exhibited, together with a new automatic titrator developed specifically for certain wartime applications but now considered to have promise for peacetime applications in process control.

#### The Pfaudler Co., Rochester 4, N. Y. (Booth 1)

Will Exhibit: A variety of glass-enameled process equipment including a pilot plant distillation assembly, storage tanks, evaporating dishes and kettles of various sizes, and a specially designed agitation display. The exhibit will also include stainless steel equipment of various types and sizes.

New: Among the new developments exhibited by this manufacturer is a complete standardized line of stainless steel heat ex-

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changers and condensers, and a new stainless steel quick-acting pocket-type valve.

#### Productive Equipment Corp., Chicago 12, Ill. (Booth N39)

Will Exhibit: A Selectro vibrating screen of this company's manufacture.

Radio Corp. of America, RCA Victor Div., Camden, N. J. (Booths 55-58)

Will Exhibit: Equipment of two general classifications, including scientific instruments and electronic apparatus. Among the former is the company's standard console model of electron microscope.

New: A newly developed vacuum unit consists of a vacuum chamber with a high speed pumping unit for evacuation. The equipment is provided with a power supply available at various terminals within the vacuum chamber through which heat can be provided to materials being treated. The company's new vacuum gage, also to be shown, is of the thermocouple type, suitable for measurement of pressures from atmospheric down to 10-4 mm. Hg. A new metal detector conveys materials to be examined on a continuous belt through an inspection aperture where the material is screened by a high frequency electromagnetic field. If metal is present, the reaction produced is detected and amplified to operate a signalling device or ejector.

Rapids-Standard Co., Grand Rapids 2, Mich. (Booths N18 and N33)

Will Exhibit: A variety of materialshandling equipment, including both power operated and gravity types. The feature will be a "merry-go-round" display of this company's gravity conveyors coupled with power belt conveyors. The exhibit will include hand trucks and warehouse floor trucks.

New: A new solid-roller gravity conveyor for medium duty and other new developments in this company's gravity conveyors.

Raymond Pulverizer Div., Combustion Engineering Co., Chi-cago 22, Ill. (Booths 73-74)

Will Exhibit: Various types of pulverizing equipment including a new vertical mill for super-fine grinding, a roller mill with whizzer separation, and laboratory pulverizers.

.New: For grinding materials up to 95-99 percent finer than 5 to 10 microns, this manufacturer has developed a vertical hammer mill of special type, suitable for the reduction of medium-soft non-metallics such as graphite, dry colors and talc.

Resisto Pipe & Valve Co., Cambridge, Mass. (Booth N36)

Will Exhibit: Acid resisting lead valves and lead-lined valves from 2 to 16 in., as





well as acid-resisting centrifugal pumps, stainless steel, rubber-lined and bronze centrifugal pumps, lead castings and lead-lined wood and steel tanks.

#### Milton Roy Co., Philadelphia 18, Pa. (Booth 5)

Will Exhibit: Several typical proportioning pumps applied to automatic chemical feed systems.

New: A system of continuous proportioning by electronic control and automatic pH measurement measures and records the pH, while the controller automatically sets the length of stroke of the pump, as called for to maintain the desired pH value.

#### Schaar & Co., Chicago 7, Ill. (Booth 21)

Will Exhibit: General laboratory equipment, laboratory supplies and reagent chemicals. Among these will be pH equipment, 5-gal. bottle shaking machines, and laboratory autoclaves.

#### The Selas Corp. of America, Philadelphia 34, Pa. (Booth 88)

Will Exhibit: Equipment for both liquid conditioning and heat processing. The display will include the company's complete line of micro-porous filter media and the Selaseparator for phase separation of immiscible liquids, shown in pilot-plant and laboratory models. The equipment for improved heat processing will be displayed in several diversified applications, including a model of a continuous tube still and a batch cooking unit which will be in operation.

#### Simplicity Engineering Co., Durand, Mich. (Booth 75)

Will Exhibit: A stainless steel vibrating screen of the two-tray, high-speed type, built to comply with all sanitary code requirements.

#### Sparkler Mfg. Co., Mundelein, Ill. (Booth 19)

Will Exhibit: A small demonstration filte:

in operation, equipped with a glass side wall so as to show the principle of the equipment. In addition, the company will have a large 36-in. stainless steel filter on display.

D. R. Sperry & Co., Batavia, Ill. (Booth 60)

Will Exhibit: Filter press plates and filter bases, to meet a variety of filtration problems.

#### Taylor Instrument Cos., Rochester 1, N. Y. (Booths 143-144)

Will Exhibit: Fulscope control instruments, featuring their adaptability. Various components of the Fulscope controller will be shown on a panel surrounding the instrument itself, to illustrate how instruments can be altered in the field to perform varying functions.

New: A model of a new liquid level transmitter of particular interest to the chemical industry.

#### Titeflex, Inc., Newark 5, N. J. (Booths 99-100)

Will Exhibit: This company's Titeflex-Stonehart filters and Titeflex-Wright Cord filters. The first of these is a polishing filter, available in iron, bronze and stainless steel, in capacity ranges from 75 to 6,000 g.p.h. The second uses a special type of filter medium composed of continuous cords applied to a rotary vacuum filter. It is adaptable to automatic discharge and filter medium cleaning, in the handling of heavy masses and sludges.

#### Tri-Clover Machine Co., Kenosha, Wis. (Booth 12)

Will Exhibit: A complete line of light-

Reprints of this report are available at 25 cents per copy. Address the Editorial Dept., *Chemical Engineering*, 330 West 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y. gage welding fittings in sizes from 1 to 10 in., available in both types 304 and 316 stainless steel; and a number of centrifugal pumps manufactured in corrosion resisting materials.

New: A complete new line of light gage stainless steel type 316 conical-end fittings in sizes from 1 to 4 in. will be shown, developed primarily for chemical industry use where corrosion resistant piping is necessary.

#### Trimount Instrument Co., Chicago 5, Ill. (Booth N31)

Will Exhibit: Manometers for flow and pressure measurement, electronic pressure measuring and pressure transmitting equipment, electronic level control instruments and a cathodic protection system for deep well pumps and elevated water storage tauks.

#### The U. S. Stoneware Co., Akron 9, Ohio (Booths 61-62)

Will Exhibit: Corrosion resistant equipment and construction materials of chemical stoneware and of a variety of resistant plastic materials. Included will be 'Tygon tank linings, flexible tubing and protective coatings, rubber, acidproof tile, sheet and homogeneous lead tank linings, baked-on hard coatings of phenolic and furane types. Equipment shown will include a novel drum-tumbling unit for various size drums, laboratory jar mills, chemical stoneware suction filters and vessels, pipe and fittings, tower packings, laboratory equipment and supplies, and acid- and alkali-proof cements.

#### Wheelco Instrument Co., Chi-

cago 22, Ill. (Booth N15)

Will Exhibit: Electronic type automatic control equipment.

New: All equipment shown will be new, including an electronic level controller designed for process plant use. The setup used will employ one tank containing a single probe pickup unit to sense the interface between oil and water, while controlling the water level. Another tank will utilize a gage glass pickup to maintain a set level, and a third tank a double-probe sensing unit for control of a continuous flow of water. One control instrument will handle all three applications.

#### Wilkens Anderson Co., Chicago 6, Ill. (Booth 111)

Will Exhibit: Laboratory equipment, pH meters and spectrophotometers.

New: The new Waco dead-stop end-point titrator, an instrument for determining moisture, will be exhibited; also a new Coleman junior spectrophotometer designed for simplified operation.

#### Yarnall-Waring Co., Philadelphia 18, Pa. (Booth N16)

Will Exhibit: Steam traps, fine-screen strainers, spray nozzles and this company's remote liquid level indicator. The traps shown are this company's Impulse type which will be featured in a sound film nar rated by Lowell Thomas.

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Respectively, Foster Wheeler Corp., New York, and Universal Trading Corp., New York

### Recycling Process Uses Cheap Oxygen for AMMONIA OXIDATION

In cases where byproduct oxygen may be obtained cheaply, or possibility in some instances where excess hydro power may be had at low cost, the authors show that a recycling process using oxygen instead of air may be employed to great advantage in producing nitric acid by ammonia oxidation. Oxygen has often been suggested for the purpose but previous processes have offered various disadvantages that have been overcome, it is claimed, in the proposed method.—*Editors* 

SEVERAL PROCESSES have been developed in the past to use oxygen rather than air in the oxidation of ammonia for nitric acid production. These have recognized a number of important advantages that would result, but at the same time have introduced disadvantages of their own that have tended to discourage their use. The process suggested here averts these disadvantages through the use of a large excess of oxygen. After absorption of the nitrogen oxides to form nitric acid the tail gases are recirculated to prevent loss of oxygen. The equipment used is substantially the same as that of the standard processes but its capacity is greatly increased because of the acceleration of the oxidation of NO to NO. A considerable saving in the initial cost of plant and in power costs will result.

During World War II, millions of tons of nitric acid were made by the oxidation of ammonia. Although the processes used in various plants differ in details, the general scheme adopted is the same in all of them.

Replacement of air with oxygen for the oxidation of ammonia in this process obviously has many advantages. Among others, a great saving in alloy steel required is made possible by the elimination of a large per-

centage of the inert nitrogen, while a saving in the power for compression can also be realized. Although oxygen is usually an expensive gas, the use of which can be justified only by the direct production of a concentrated acid, there are cases where its use is economically feasible for the production of a weak acid as in conventional plants. For example, in the production of calcium cvanamide, liquid air units are usually provided to supply the nitrogen, while the oxygen byproduct is generally wasted. Such is also the case in plants where ammonia is produced with hydrogen obtained from either the electrolysis of water or the liquefaction of coke oven gas (which usually obtain nitrogen by liquefaction of air).

Existing processes for the use of oxygen in ammonia oxidation, are not very satisfactory. Generally, when oxygen is used, a rich ammonia mixture close to the theoretical ratio of 2Oa:NHa is preferred. The use of a rich mixture involves two difficulties. The first has to do with the lower explosive limit which according to the data of the Fixed Nitrogen Research Laboratory" is about 22 percent for an air-ammonia mixture and 13.5 percent for a mixture of ammonia and pure oxygen. When using a mixture much higher than 10.5 percent NH<sub>3</sub>, which is generally considered the highest allowable limit in plant practice with air, specially designed converters will have to be adopted. Although it has been found that a safe converter can be constructed<sup>2</sup>, for example, one using a water layer which prevents the flashing back of any premature combustion<sup>4, 7</sup>, this practice has not been widely adopted.

#### OVERHEATING PROBLEM

The second difficulty encountered in using a rich ammonia mixture with pure oxygen is to keep down the temperature of the catalytic combustion. Although a temperature rise of about 650 deg. C. is obtained with a 10 percent air-animonia mixture, making it necessary to use a preheat of about 300 deg. C. in order to maintain the catalyst temperature at the optimum level of about 950 deg. C., the use of a rich  $O_{0}$ -ammonia mixture would give rise

to excessively high gauge temperatures. The usual practice for avoiding this difficulty is to add a suitable amount of steam to the mixture<sup>7</sup>. This not only keeps down the temperature but also reduces the explosion hazard. It is disadvantageous however, in that extra cooling surface must be provided and a large additional amount of cooling water used. Also a certain loss of weak acid is unavoidable as the condensate is generally discarded.

In one proposed method of using oxygen<sup>\*</sup>, both difficulties above mentioned are overcome by the stepwise addition of ammonia to the mixture. A serious drawback of this process is that mixtures containing NO and ammonia must come in contact with the catalyst which is known to accelerate the reaction  $4NH_{0} + 6NO = 5N_{0} + 6H_{2}O$ , as well as the formation of NO by ammonia oxidation. Thus, a serious loss in yield is to be expected.

Another process which has been suggested for the use of oxygen in ammonia oxidation involves the use of a non-explosive mixture containing a large excess of oxygen". According to this process, the resultant mixture is subjected to a condensation system only, in which a part of the nitrogen oxides is removed as dilute nitric acid while the rest is returned to the system and mixed with more ammonia and oxygen to be oxidized in the converter. No attempt to use an absorption system is suggested. The process is simple and requires inexpensive equipment, but the condensate acid which can be obtained by water cooling is low in strength and the removal of nitrogen oxides cannot be complete. As the tail gas is recycled and mixed with ammonia, ammonium nitrate would be formed which not only would cause operating difficulties but would also be partly decomposed to nitrogen in the converter.

As none of the above processes is completely satisfactory, little attempt has been made to use oxygen in ammonia oxidation even where cheap byproduct oxygen is available. Also these processes all differ considerably from current practice using air. The process here proposed for utilizing oxygen, however, involves none of the difficulties mentioned above and follows closely



Fig. 1-Flowsheet of proposed ammonia oxidation process

the series of operations in current practice. The equipment needed in this process, furthermore, may be of proved design such as is now used in many up-to-date plants. However, certain parts of it may be greatly reduced in size per unit of capacity.

#### DESCRIPTION OF PROCESS

A flow diagram of this process is shown in Fig. 1. It can be seen from this diagram that the process is essentially the same as current practice except that oxygen is used instead of air and that the tail gas, containing mainly oxygen from which nitrogen oxide has been almost completely removed by absorption in water, is recycled and mixed with fresh oxygen to be used in the catalytic oxidation of ammonia. A mixture containing about 10 percent ammonia may be used, so that the converter design may be identical to that now used for air oxidation. In fact, a mixture as high as perhaps 11.5 percent can be used since the temperature can still be kept down by using a lower preheat and since modern proportioning flow control equipment can be relied on to maintain smooth operation without danger of a faulty mixture in the explosive range. Such a rich mixture cannot be used in air oxidation as there would not be sufficient excess of oxygen to give the desired high yield<sup>8</sup>.

After conversion, the gas may be cooled, first in an air preheater, followed by a waste heat boiler, and finally with water in a cooler-condenser. After passing through an oxidation chamber, which may be smaller than usual or even omitted altogether on account of the high oxygen partial pressure —and the consequent increased rate of oxidation—the gas mixture is absorbed either in bubble cap apparatus or packed towers. A bubble plate tower is shown in the figure. This absorption equipment can be greatly reduced in size as will be discussed later. The nitrous gas content in the tail gas from the absorption system can be reduced to a much lower figure than the few tenths of 1 percent usually encountered, because of the tremendous excess of oxygen present. Or, if the emphasis is on saving alloy steel, complete absorption will not be necessary and an auxiliary scrubbing column using soda liquor may be adopted to remove the last trace of nitrogen oxides before the gas is recycled.

As the oxygen used would contain a small amount of inert gases and since some nitrogen is formed in side reactions, the concentration of these inert gases would build up with recycling and it is necessary to purge a part of the tail gas while the rest is recycled. Some oxygen is necessarily lost in the purge gas, but with oxygen of reasonably high purity, such as that obtained by air separation or by electrolysis of water, the efficiency of oxygen utilization can be very high. Assuming an oxygen purity of 98 percent and an oxidation efficiency of 95 percent, the percentage oxygen utilization at various percentages of nitrogen build-up in the recycled gas is shown in Fig. 2. It is evident that a utilization of over 80 percent can be readily obtained without high No build-up in the recycled gas.

#### ANTICIPATED SAVINGS

Modern ammonia oxidation plants are generally operated under pressure to obtain higher strength acid with smaller equipment and higher catalyst utilization compared with atmospheric oxidation. For such pressure plants, power expense is always an important cost item. This power requirement can be greatly reduced if oxygen recirculation is used.

In estimating the power requirement and percentage saving in power as compared with an air oxidation plant, certain assumptions were made, including: (1) A gas mixture of 11.5 percent NH<sub>a</sub>; (2) an oxidation efficiency of 95 percent; and (3) utilization of 78.5 mols of stripping oxygen per ton of NH<sub>3</sub>, for bleaching the acid. In the air oxidation process, 87 percent of the total air used goes to the converter, 5 percent to the oxidation tank, and 8 percent to the bleaching section of absorber. It was also assumed (4) that oxygen and air are available at 100 deg. F. and atmospheric pressure; and (5) that oxygen purity is 98 percent.

As most modern plants are operated under a pressure of either about 60 psi. abs. or 120 psi. abs. at the compressor discharge, two cases using these pressures are calculated for consideration. For a conventional air oxidation plant, it is estimated that power requirements are about 1,010 and 1,435 brake hp.-hr. per ton of NH, oxidized at operating pressures of 60 and 120 psi. abs., respectively. Under similar conditions, power requirements using oxygen recirculation are also estimated and the results are given in the solid lines in Fig. 3. The dashed lines show the percent power saving as compared with air oxidation. Thus if byproduct oxygen is available, 50 percent power reduction can easily be realized at an oxidation pressure of 60 psi. abs., while as much as 65 percent reduction is possible when the oxidation pressure is at 120 psi. abs.

In pressure oxidation plants operating at approximately 120 psi. abs., a considerable portion of the power can be recovered if the tail gas is preheated by heat exchange with the converter effluent and then expanded in an engine. Net power requirement for such a plant is naturally lower than the estimated figure given above. How ever, under such circumstances, the amount of steam that can be generated in the waste heat boiler will be considerably lower.

As the circulating pump can easily be of the centrifugal type, it is obvious that capital investment for compressors should be lower with the recirculation process.

#### **OXIDATION AND ABSORPTION**

The greatest advantage to be realized by using oxygen instead of air is in the increased rate of the reaction:  $NO + 4Q_a =$  $NO_a$ . A higher rate for this oxidation reaction not only increases the  $NO_a$  content of the gas entering the absorption system (thus raising the equilibrium acid strength), but also drastically reduces the size of the absorption equipment required. The reaction involved in nitric acid absorption is generally considered as:  $3NO_a + H_aO = 2HNO_a$ + NO. The NO thus formed must then be oxidized to  $NO_a$  according to the first equation before it can be further absorbed Unfortunately, this reaction is a compara tively slow one. In all nitric acid absorption systems, a proper amount of space must be provided for it to take place. No matter whether the system is a plate tower, a number of absorption tanks provided with bubble plates, or a series of packed towers, it must be designed so that the greater part of the equipment volume is left void for this gas phase reaction. The amount of space required is evidently dependent on the rate of the NO oxidation reaction. which for the same partial pressures of NO and NO<sub>2</sub>, is favored by a higher partial pressure of oxygen.

The reaction rate in question may be expressed as shown in Eq. (1) where  $N_{so} =$ number of mols of NO in a unit mass, and  $C_{xo}$  and  $C_{o_2}$  = concentration of NO and O<sub>2</sub> respectively in mols per unit volume. At constant pressure, if we let 2a equal the initial total number of mols of NO in the initial volume V,, b equal the initial total number of mols of O<sub>2</sub> in the initial volume V<sub>a</sub>, V equal the volume at any instant t, and x equal the fraction of NO oxidized at any time t, the Eqs. (2) and (2a) hold, where R is the gas constant, T is the gas temperature, P is the pressure, and r is the fraction of total oxidized NO as N.O. Under the usual plant oxidizing conditions, the change in volume is small due to the low concentration of NO in the gas mixture, and V can therefore be considered as approximately equal to Vo, so that Eq. (3) can be substituted for Eq. (2).

In order to compare the rate of oxidation of NO using oxygen to that using air, we have to make the same assumptions for operating conditions as previously given, with the exception that a 10.5 percent NH. mixture is used in the case of ammonia oxidation with air. Also it will be convenient to assume that 5 percent of oxidation air is added before any oxidation of NO begins. Thus considering the same number of mols of NO, we can obtain Eq. (4) from Eq. (3). Here the subscript 1 denotes the case using oxygen recycling and the subscript 2, air.

Eq. (4) can be readily evaluated and the results are shown as the solid lines in Fig. 4, from which we can see that the oxidation reaction rate is greatly accelerated when oxygen recycling is used, especially at high values of x, where the rate of oxidation using air always becomes exceedingly low. The vastly increased rate at low partial pressures of nitrogen oxides is especially significant, considering the fact that the gas phase reaction is the controlling factor in the rate of absorption at this part of the absorption

Fig. 2-Effect of nitrogen build-up on oxygen utilization Fig. 3-Power required and power saved by recycling process Fig. 4-NO oxidation rate and time compared with air oxidation Fig. 5-Equilibrium data for nitric acid solutions



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$$-d (N_{N0})/dt + k(N_{N0})(G_{N0})(G_{02})$$
(1)  

$$dx/dt = \left[2 k \sigma^{2} (1 - x)^{2} (b/\sigma - x)\right]^{2}/V^{2}$$
(2)  
Where  

$$V = V_{0} + (1 + r) \times (a RT)/P$$
(2a)  

$$dx/dt = \left[2 k \sigma^{2} (1 - x)^{2} (b/\sigma - x)\right]/V_{0}^{2}$$
(3)  

$$\left(\frac{dx/dt}{(dx/dt)_{2}} = \frac{V_{02}^{2} (b/\sigma - x)}{V_{01}^{2} (b_{2}/\sigma - x)}$$
(4)  

$$\frac{k}{2kt} = \frac{V_{0}^{2}}{(b-\sigma)^{2}} \left[\frac{x (b-\sigma)}{a (t-x)} + \ln \frac{b(1-x)}{(b-\sigma)}\right]$$
(5)  

$$k_{p} = \frac{(P_{N0}) (P_{N00})^{2}}{(P_{N02})^{3} (P_{N00})^{2}} * k_{t} k_{2}$$
(6)  
Where  

$$k_{t} \in (P_{N0})/(P_{N02})^{3} \text{ and } k_{z} \in (P_{NN03})^{2}/(P_{N02})(6\sigma b)$$

system. In actual plant practice, it has been found that only one-quarter to one-third of the total nitrogen oxides entering the system is absorbed in the top half of the absorption tower or the last half of the absorption tanks used, as the case may be. The saving in alloy steel is, therefore, greatest in absorbing the last portion of the oxides.

Eq. (3) may also be integrated to give Eq (5), and the time required to oxidize NO from 0 to 100x percent completion can be compared for the cases using air and oxygen respectively. The calculated results are shown by the dashed lines in Fig. 4.

#### ACID STRENGTH

The equilibrium constant for the NO oxidation reaction is given in Eq. (6). At any temperature, vapor pressure data over aqueous nitric acid at various concentrations will determine k, thus enabling us to calculate k<sub>1</sub>, which is plotted against acid strength in Fig. 5. It can be seen from this graph that the lower the value of  $k_1$  or the higher the state of oxidation, the higher will be the equilibrium acid strength. Therefore, by using a large excess of oxygen as in the recycling process, a higher equilibrium acid strength can be expected. However, this advantage is partially offset by the fact that, with the large excess of oxygen, a greater part of the nitrogen oxide would be removed as HNO<sub>a</sub> in condensate acid, thus impover ishing the gas to absorber. By proper equip ment design, it is still possible to condense the water produced by the catalytic reaction quickly enough to minimize the amount of NO<sub>o</sub> reacted before reaching the absorber.

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# PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE From Petroleum Breaks a Coal-Tar Tradition



Each vessel for converting o-xylene to phthalic anhydride has vapor cooler heat exchanger, behind which are located condenser boxes. Installation is at Oronite Chemical Co.

Now PULLING into full capacity production is the new phthalic anhydride plant operated for Oronite Chemical Co. by Standard Oil of California at the latter's Richmond, Calif. refinery. The plant is unique and of particular significance in that it is the first commercial producer of phthalic anhydride in the world to break away from the 29-year tradition of using naphthalcne derived from coking operations as the basic raw material.

Of immediate interest, naturally, is the fact that this plant's use of ortho-xylene derived from petroleum processing frees it completely from dependence on coal mining, steel mill and coking operations or on foreign sources of naphthalene. It will help relieve the fear that the limited supply of naphthalene from domestic coke oven operations might throttle the further expansion of the phthalic anhydride industry. Equally significant is the emphasis the development gives to the growing independence of the synthetic organic chemical industry on coal tars and its swing toward the use of petroleum hydrocarbons.

On the Pacific Coast, this plant will be remembered as the first and only producer of phthalic anhydride west of the Mississippi River, thereby rendering this region independent in respect to a basic organic chemical formerly only produced some 2,000 miles away. In addition to accelerating a healthy decentralization of industry in this country, large-scale production of phthalic anhydride in California should aid greatly in the sound integration of the chemical and process industries of the West. Already two additional firms will soon begin production of alkyd resins from phthalic anhydride to bring the total number of western producers of these resins for sale from two in 1938 to eight at the present (see Table II).

Research and development work on the ortho-xylene process was done at the Richmond laboratories of California Research Corp., research subsidiary of Standard Oil Co. of California. Construction and operation of the phthalic anhydride plant is by Standard of California for Oronite Chemical Co., its chemical subsidiary.

Construction work on the plant, which was designed by E. B. Badger & Sons Co...

was completed during the late summer of 1945; initial operations began in early September. The plant has a design capacity of 3,500-4,000 tons annually or close to 5 percent of the total domestic phthalic anhydride capacity of about 86,500 tons at present. Total cost of the California plant has recently been placed at close to \$1,500,-000.

#### THREE DECADES OF P. A.

As an industrial chemical, phthalic anhydride has been with us for three decades. for it was in 1916 that a process of vapor-phase oxidation of naphthalene was developed. Before that time, the high price of the anhydride had discouraged all but academic interest in the chemical.

Less than 70 tons of phthalic anhydride was produced in this country during 1917 when the principal outlet was for the manufacture of coal-tar dyes, but production climbed to almost 400 tons in 1920. then to some 3,350 tons in 1930 and 29,000 tons in 1940. Under wartime demands of phthalate esters, the peak production was reached in 1944 when 62,000 tons was turned out. The figure declined slightly for 1945 but still represented a 30,600 percent increase over 1925 and a 425 percent over 1935. Table III shows the rise in production and the decline in unit sales value of phthalic anhydride since 1917.

Actually, the history of phthalic anhydried production can be divided into five distinct phases of growth, each more or less dominated by a new use. These periods might be broken down into those of coaltar dyes, dibutyl phthalate and other plastieizers. alkyd resins, war uses and the be-

Long a basic chemical of commerce, phthalic anhydride will continue to play a major role in our synthetic resins and coatings industries. The first commercial plant to make this chemical from petroleum raw materials has just begun operations in California, thus becoming the pioneer producer west of the Mississippi River. The Oronite process, outlined in this article and illustrated in the pictured flowsheet on pages 138-141 of this issue, uses orthoxylene instead of naphthalene as the starting material.-Editors

ginnings of the postwar period. The unusual thing about phthalic anhydride is that throughout its growth history it has retained, and quite often expanded, most of its carlier uses. Today, this polybasic acid is used in the manufacture of more than 50 chemicals and pharmaceutical products. About 25-30 percent of the output is consumed in the producing plants.

The period 1917-1921 was largely dom inated by the use of phthalic anhydride for the manufacture of anthraquinone. alizarin, cosine. rhodamines, fluorescein and many vat dyes and other coal-tar chemicals. About 1922 new uses for phthalate esters as plasticizers caused a growth that dominated the field until about 1930. Dibutyl phthalate, still the most important plas ticizer in use today (see Table IV), became widely used in lacquers and resins. Some compositions, such as cellulose acetate, may contain up to 40-50 percent of this ester. From about 1930 until the outbreak of the war, alkyd resins based on phthalic anhydride expanded rapidly for use in protective coatings. In 1944, the output of phthalic anhydride glycerol type resins totalled 63.-925 tons, of which 99 percent was used in protective coatings.

With the coming of the war, phthalic anhydride was largely channelled into war and essential uses, mainly those already familiar to the trade. However, considerable amounts of dibutyl phthalate were used in smokeless powder to lower hygroscopicity and somewhat later the discovery of the effectiveness of dimethyl phthalate as an insect repellent for use by troops in the tropics created new demands. By late 1944 it was estimated that the insectifuge was absorbing about 15,000 tons annually or some 25 percent of total phthalic anhydride production at that time.

Prospects for phthalic anhydride in the near future are bright, chiefly since it still remains the cheapest aromatic polybasic acid of commerce. Its usage in the synthesis of dvestuffs and other organics. such as benzoic acid and derivatives, will most likely be retained and probably increased somewhat. Phthalate plasticizers are expected to continue their growth. especially for use in some of the newer resins such as the polyvinyl polymers. The war uses in smokeless powder and insect repellents have dropped sharply, but as a compensation the outlook for phthalate alkyd resins is probably more promising than ever.

#### P. A. FROM XYLENE

Briefly, the Standard of California process consists of: (1) Feeding preheated air and vaporized o-xylene into catalyst-filled tubes where conversion to phthalic anhydride takes place; (2) cooling the resulting vapors in heat exchangers; (3) condensing and removing the crystals of anhydride; (4) melting the crystals and distilling for purifica-



High-purity molten anhydride from the distillation equipment is pumped to this aluminum storage tank blanketed with inert gas

tion; (5) solidifying the phthalic anhydride into the proper physical form for the market. A pictured flowsheet of the process is given on pp. 138-141 of this issue.

#### FROM HYDROFORMER UNIT

Raw material feed for the Richmond phthalic anhydride plant is ortho-xylene supplied by the hydroformer unit in the adjacent refinery of Standard of California. This unit, originally built to supply nitration grade toluene for explosives, converts naphtha into a product of high aromatic content. Ortho-xylene, which constitutes about 20 percent of all xylenes in the hydroformer product, is separated from the meta- and para-xylenes to give a raw material feed of high purity for the phthalic anhydride plant.

Ortho-xylene is pumped from the two storages, which are 20,000 gal. ordinary steel tanks, into the converters by eight small gear pumps. The plant has a total of eight of these converters with accessory equipment, each individually operated. Rate of feed, temperature, air ratio and other factors are adjusted to give optimum yields.

Both indicating and recording instruments are used on the flow of xylene and of air to the converters. Various sound and visual alarm systems, as well as automatic kick-off devices, are used as safety measures in case of failure of pumps, insufficient ratio of air to xylene, excessive temperature rise, stoppage of flow or any other abnormal condition. Primary purpose of these measures is to guard against an over-rich air-to-xylene ratio in the converters that might give rise to a condition of



Air and xylene flow temperature in catalyst mass and other variables are regulated to give maximum yields and prevent uncontrolled oxidation



Crystals of crude phthalic anhydride are dumped periodically from the condenser boxes into carts which carry them to the melt tank

Table I-United States Producers of Phthalic Anhydride

	In the second seco
Producer	Plant Location
merican Cyanamid & Chemical Corp	Bridgeville, Pa.
Barrett Co. Div., Allied Chem. & Dye Corp	Frankford, Pa.; Ironton
	Ohio
E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co	Deepwater Point, N. J.
Ionsanto Chemical Co	St. Louis, Mo.
Vational Aniline Div., Allied Chem. & Dye Corp.	Buffalo, N. Y.
Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Co	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Reichhold Chemicals, Inc.	Detroit, Mich.
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Sherwin-Williams Co. Standard Oil of California (Oronite Chemical Co.) ... Tar & Chemical Div., Koppers Co., Inc.....

Kensington, Ohio Richmond, Calif. Kobuta, Pa.

uncontrolled oxidation. Cable-drive speed regulators are now used for the gear feed pumps, but these will probably be replaced by quicker-responding diaphragm valve pressure regulators.

Air to the converters is supplied by two centrifugal compressors. The air, after passing through the two intake filters, is compressed and fed by an insulated common header into a horizontal, muffle-type gas burner for preheating. Spent gases from the burner travel with the air throughout the system. Temperature drop in the air line between the burner and the converters is about 70-80 deg. Theoretically, three molecules of O<sub>2</sub> are needed to oxidize each molecule of xylene to phthalic anhydride, only two-thirds of that required for oxidation of naphthalene. In actual operations, about 10 times the theoretical requirement of air is used in order to avoid operating within the explosive limits.

A standard-type machine which burns natural gas is used to provide inert gas for blanketing xylene in storage tanks, purging stills and lines and for blanketing vessels containing molten phthalic anhydride.

#### HEART OF THE PROCESS

Liquid ortho-xylene is pumped at controlled rates into the vaporizers, which are steam heated. There are eight of these units, cach provided with a knockout pot for safety. The xylene is vaporized at sub stantially atmospheric pressure and the vap ors are injected directly into the stream of heated air. Temperature of this mixture must always be above the dew point so as to have all xylene in the vapor state as it enters the converter, the chemical heart of the process. Since the explosive limit of xylene in air is approximately 1 mole percent by volume of xylene, operating practice is always to maintain a lean mixture. This is purely a safety measure.

The insulated converters, which are of conventional design and about 10 ft. in overall height and 6 ft. in outside diameter, are essentially heat exchangers. Each consists of a bundle of tubes filled with catalyst which are cooled by circulation of molten salt outside the tubes. Molten salt is pumped from an outside tank, around the tubes and back to steam boilers where it is cooled by generating 450-lb. steam which, incidentally, is sufficient to supply about 20-25 percent of the steam requirements

Table II-Western Producers of Alkyd Resins for Resale

Producer	Plant Location
American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp	Azusa
Andrew Brown Co.	Los Angeles
California Flaxseed Products Co	Vernon
California Ink Co., Inc.	W. Berkeley
General Electric Co. <sup>3</sup>	Anabeim
Reichhold Chemicals, Inc	S. San Francisco
Sherwin-Williams Co. of California <sup>3</sup>	Emeryville
Specialty Resins Co.	Los Angeles
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<sup>1</sup> In addition, there are a large number of firms producing for internal consumption only. <sup>2</sup> All producers for resale in the Western states are located in California. <sup>4</sup> Plant now under construction.

#### Table III—United States Production of Phthalic Anhydride<sup>3</sup>

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(In Pounds)			
	CONTRACT COLOR	Sales Value	
Year	Production	Per Lb.	
1917	138,857	\$4.23	
1918	227,414	2.85	
1919	290,677	0.99	
1920	796,210	0.46	
1921	2	0.39	
1922	1,629,182	0.35	
1923	2,343,802	0.29	
1924	2,787,308	0.24	
1925	3,900,332	0.20	
1926	4,379,108	0.18	
1927	4,549,820	0.17	
1928	6,030,854	0.16	
1929	9,168,946	0.15	
1930	6,693,001	0.13	
1931	1		
1932	6,259,000	0.12	
1933	14,075,844	0.11	
1934	20,680,379	0.12	
1935	23,421,558	0.12	
1936	31,244,378	0,12	
1937	45,210,784	0.14	
1938	27,650,270	0.14	
1930	44,274,430	0.14	
1940	57,946,415	0.14	
1941	81,309,000	0.14	
1942	94,807,180	0.14	
1943	114,118,000	0.14	
1941	124,063,000	0.125	
1945,	123,301,944*	0.125	

<sup>1</sup> U. S. Tariff Commission. <sup>2</sup> Not available, <sup>4</sup> Preliminary.

of the entire phthalic anhydride plant. Theoretically, the heat of reaction is less than that for the oxidation of naphthalene to phthalic anhydride; this amounts to +5,460 B.t.u. per lb. for naphthalene and +4,550 B.t.u. for ortho-xylene. In actual operations, side reactions cause both materials to give a heat of reaction considerably higher than the theortical.

Catalyst used in the converter tubes is, like that for naphthalene, based on  $V_sO_s$ . Physical and chemical care in preparation of the catalyst mass is of the utmost importance to prevent dusting and physical deterioration as well as to avoid susceptibility to poisoning and to provide a high degree of activity. Although the plant has now been operating for over nine months, no detectable deterioration of the catalyst has yet occurred.

The period of contact of the vapors with the catalyst is less than one second, although the conversion reaction itself is practically instantaneous. The temperature of the catalyst mass in the tubes is controlled in order to maintain optimum conversion conditions. Actual temperatures are recorded by inserting nine thermocouples at different levels into the catalyst mass of the same number of tubes for each converter.

Theoretical yield of phthalic anhydride from naphthalene is 116 percent, while from ortho-xylene it is almost 140 percent. This difference is explained by the breakdown of one of the naphthalene rings and oxidation of two of its carbon atoms to CO, CO<sub>2</sub> and water. With ortho-xylene, theoretically no carbon is lost and the reaction is entirely one of addition; actually some CO<sub>2</sub> is formed since side oxidation reactions do occur. Under plant operating conditions, yields of phthalic anhydride from xylene compare very favorably with the best of those from naphthalene.

Passage of the air-xvlene mixture through the tube bundles is by downflow. The reacted vapor mass leaving the bottom of the converters is pulled through the coolers, which are vertical tubular heat exchangers. There is a cooler for each of the eight converter units. The steam generated from all the coolers goes to a common header.

#### CRYSTAL CONDENSATION

After cooling, the gases go through the condensers. There are eight of these units. each with large box-like compartments connected in series. White, straw-like crystals of phthalic anhydride collect on the sides of the compartments until their weight makes them fall into the tapered bottoms. At regular intervals the bottom doors are opened and the crystals dumped into buggies and wheeled away without the necessity of shutting off the individual compartment being dumped. The middle boxes give the highest yield and a pure product containing no carbonaceous material. Actually, the crude crystals from these boxes average close to 99.9 percent purity without any further treatment.

Spent gases from the tops of the condensers go through furnaces having gas burners with a steam jet at the top of the stack. The waste gases are burned in these stacks, about 50 ft, high, so as to eliminate any fume nuisance.

Crystals of crude phthalic anhydride from the condensers are dumped into buggies and then into one of two underground melt tanks. The meit tanks, heated with internal steam coils, are blanketed with inert gas. From this point, the process is operated on the batch principle. Molten anhydride is transferred by a deep well pump from the melt tank to the primary still of two distillation stills in series.

#### PRODUCT DISTILLATION

This primary still is direct fired and equipped with steel, conventional design packed columns. The heart cut from this unit goes to the secondary still which is heated with 450-lb. steam and has fractionating columns with plates. Both columns are operated under low vacuum. The stills have conventional type condensers as well as intermediate and product storages.

Molten anhydride product is pumped to an aluminum storage tank blanketed with inert gas and heated by means of internal steam coils. From here it is fed to a stainless steel water-cooled surface for solidification. The final product, looking very much like white, lustrous soap chips, is weighed on automatic scales into paper bags of 80 lb. capacity. The bags are sewed and the product is ready for shipment. Off-quality material is dumped back into the melter for reworking.

Freezing point specification of the Oronite phthalic anhydride is 130.5 deg. C. minimum as compared to that of the pure chemical of 130.95. The Oronite product analyzes 99.7+ percent minimum phthalic anhydride and in the molten state its color is water white.

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From Naphthalene

**Fixed** Catalyst

Fluid

Catalyst

Table	V-Approximate	Operating	Conditions	in	the
	Production of	Phthalic A	nhydride		1

Table IV — Growth of Phihalate Plas	sticizers
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	Production, Lb.	
	19441	1940 <sup>2</sup>
Dibutyl phthalate	47,810,000	8,799,528
Diethyl phthalate	3,478,000	2,306,063
Dimethyl phthalate <sup>3</sup>	42,837,000	
All other phthalates	22,685,000	7,621,833
Total phthalate plasticizers	116,810,000	18,727,424
All other plasticizers <sup>4</sup>	62,566,000	18,175,158

<sup>1</sup> Bureau of Foreign & Domestic Commerce, U. S. Dept. of Commerce, <sup>2</sup> U. S. Tariff Commission. <sup>3</sup> Includes dimethyl phthalate for use as an insect repellent, <sup>4</sup> includes esters of phosphoric, sebacic, and stearic acids and all other cyclic and noncyclic plasticizers.

#### Type of catalyst..... Type of catalyst bed..... Temp. of conversion, deg. F.... V2Os V2O8 V-Os Fixed 075-850 Fluid Fixed 2 >1.000 Theoretical heat, B.t.u. per Ib. Actual heat, B.t.u. per Ib. Theoretical yield, weight percent. Actual yield, weight percent. Principal reaction byproducts. 5,460 8,000-10,000 5,460 4.552 10,000 140 116 65 + CO, CO, 70-80 CO<sub>2</sub> 70+ CO3 Catalyst contact time, sec. (approx.). 0 1 >1 <1

<sup>1</sup> The only fluid catalyst bed is that in the plant of Sherwin-Williams Co. (see Chem. d Mel., pp. 100-101, July 1945), <sup>2</sup> Reported to operate at a temperature several hundred degrees lower than those using fixed beds. <sup>3</sup> Per pound of raw material oxidized to phthalic anhydride.

From

Ortho-

Xylene



At Bound Brook, N. J., plant Bakelite produces many synthetic resin products. Here vinyl resins in form of white powders, produced at South Charleston, W. Va., plant are compounded and fabricated



Resins arrive in multi-ply paper bags or in hopper-bottom boxcars and are dumped into pneumatic air system for conveying to storage

Raw materials must be weighed



# Compounding and Fabrication of VINYL RESIN

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It isn't often that an editor is permitted to inspect a synthetic resin plant and even more unusual for him to be granted permission to put his observations into print. Yet this happened recently and here is what he saw at the Bound Brook, N. J., vinyl resin plant of Bakelite Corp. This is one of the newest units in the rapidly mushrooming plastic manufacturing industry. Here the raw resins made at the South Charleston, W. Va., plant are processed with lubricants, stabilizers, opacifiers, and coloring materials, and fabricated into plastic sheet, film, plate, molding powder and other forms. For these operations Bakelite engineers have used not only standard equipment but have also adapted several designs from other industries.—*Editors* 



A batch of raw materials, other than resins, is made in weigh lorry

THE ORIGIN of vinyl plastics dates back to 1838, when a white powder was produced by exposing vinyl chloride to sunlight. In 1872, other vinyl materials were discovered which were unaffected by solvents or acids, and rubber-like vinyl compounds were obtained in 1912. But it was not until 1927, when industry was seeking new and improved materials, that the intensive research of Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corp. developed the first commercially successful vinyl resins. They were turned over to National Carbon Co., another member of the Union Carbide and Carbon Corp. family, to pioneer on a pilot plant scale. And when Bakelite Corp. came into the fold all compounding of resins, within the Union Carbide family, naturally became that subsidiary's responsibility.

Plans were made in 1940 for a large plant at Bound Brook, N. J., where Bakelite's greatest production activities already were centered. This plant was completed in the fall of 1941 just in time to be of inestimable value to the armed services during the entire period of the war, since they filled a place which many of the other, older resins could not, and did it extremely well.

Here the synthetic resins in the form of white powders, produced at the South Charleston, W. Va., plant of Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corp., are compounded and fabricated. This consists of mixing the resins with the proper lubricants, stabilizers, opacifiers, and coloring materials, then fluxing and milling. The resin "doughs" are next sheeted and ground, extruded, or calendered on paper, cloth or without backing material, depending upon the form to be produced. The fluxing, milling and sheeting operations are accomplished with heated mixers and roll mills in much the same manner as rubber compounding.

The principal raw materials for the Bound

Brook plant consists of several types of vinyl resins, polyvinyl butyral, and copolymer of vinyl chloride and vinyl acetate. Four varieties of the copolymer are used in which the ratio of vinyl chloride to vinyl acetate covers a range from 86:14 to 95:5. In general, those resins containing large amounts of the chloride are used in flexible types of products and conversely those resins low in chloride are the basis for the rigid products.

#### **RAW MATERIALS**

The next most important group of raw materials from the standpoint of volume is the plasticizers. To some extent, they, too, are made at the South Charleston plant. For general-purpose plastic compounds diethylhexyl phthalate and tricresyl phosphate are used. For plasticizing polyvinyl butyral resin triethylene glycol di-2-ethylbutyrate is required. Copolymer resins containing higher ratios of vinyl acetate do not require the addition of plasticizing agents to form rigid shapes. This probably accounts, in part, for the desirable aging characteristics rigid materials exhibit.

Other raw materials, heat stabilizers, colorants, fillers, and lubricants come from other suppliers. Heat stabilizers inhibit decomposition of the vinyl chloride. They are lead soaps, litharge and white lead. For coloring materials, lakes and pigments are preferred because of better light stability than dyes. The fillers consist of finely divided clay, calcium carbonates and other materials. The principal lubricants are metal soaps and fatty acids.

Raw materials are shipped to the plant by rail or truck. Resins arrive in multi-ply paper bags or in special hopper bottom boxcars. while plasticizers reach the plant in tank cars, and the other components in drums. barrels and bags. The plasticizers are stored in steel tanks outside the building. The other materials are stored in the raw materials storage space running the entire length of the building on the south side.

Batch of dry components is transferred into blender and resin and plasti-

cizers added. Latter is sprayed over mass for best mixing results

In the center of this long room are two pneumatic air systems for handling the resin raw material. Bags of resin are emptied into the system's hopper and the resin is then passed through a vibrating screen located in a horizontal tank under pressure to prevent dust. Here any metallic particles or tramp contamination which may have been picked up during shipment of the resin will be removed. The resin is then transferred by air pressure through a 4-in. line to the top floor. Here the resin is stored in any one or more of the 28 aluminum storage bins of 35,000 to 40,000 lb. capacity each, arranged in two rows along the north and south sides

3-roll paint mill is generally used for dispersing colors in resins but they may be added in blender



of the building. The powdered resin is separated by cyclones atop the bins and the air returned through bag houses and exhausted to the atmosphere.

Dry components, fillers, dry lubricants and some colors are carried to the floor below that on which the resins are stored by means of freight elevators. They are stored in hoppers equipped with dust collectors.

A batch of the dry components, other than resin, is made in a weigh lorry placed beneath the hoppers. Lorry and contents are then moved along the overhead tramrail to a blender underneath a resin storage bin. Below the storage bins are stainless-clad steef blenders of 5,000 lb. capacity. Each blender is jacketed and equipped with a horizontal ribbon agitator, which is designed to draw the mixed material to the opening in the center of the bottom for discharging.

The batch of dry components is transferred into the blender and the resin added. Approximate weights are checked automatically and final adjustments are manual. A photoelectric device on the scale shuts off the addition of material when the predetermined weight has been reached. Plasticizers are added to the charge in the blender through metering pumps and a pipe line running the length of the blender on one side and near the top. By spraying the liquid plasticizer over the mass the best mixing results are obtained.

Certain of the lubricants are too viscous at room temperature for proper blending with the resins and other components of the batch. To overcome this factor, such lubricants are heated to the point at which they are sufficiently fluid in nature to allow adequate mixing. This blending system was imstalled so as to improve the quality of product and to increase output of the equipment.

The blended compound in the form of a powder moistened with the plasticizer is dropped into a stainless-clad steel weigh lorry directly below the blender. The mass is held in the lorry until the mixer is empty and ready for another change. A lorry operates on an overhead tramrail and serves two blenders. It is moved to a point above the opening in the floor through which the contents can enter a mixer.

#### COLORANTS ARE ADDED

In most cases the colorants are added to the mass in the mixer. It is not necessary to add them to the resin mass at an earlier step in the processing, but if the colorants were so added, particularly the intense ones, they would make it difficult to clean the equipment. When long runs are made the colorants are added in the blender.

The colorant used determines the method employed to disperse the colorants in the plastic compound. In some cases a 3-roll paint mill is used to grind the pigments into the plasticizer to form a paste.

An intensive type of mixer is used to disperse the paste colorants with resin and is

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generally used when the mix is wet or damp. Dry resin-colorant mixes are blended in an end-over-end dry blender. The resultant mix is added to the mixer as a color composite.

A system of signal lights provides communication between the mixer operator and the operator of the charging lorry on the floor above. Each mixer has a capacity of about 150 lb. of material. The mass is mixed until it reaches a predetermined temperature on the indicator. This requires from 2 to 8 minutes, depending on the formulation. The mixer fluxes the mass by frictional or applied heat and changes the dry, bulky material into a coherent dough

The mixer dumps the mass onto a conveyor which carries it onto a hot 2-roll mill. After further mixing on this mill it is removed by hand and placed on an elevating conveyor which carries it to the top of a 4-roll 3-high calender. Rolls are 66 in. wide and steam heated. To govern thickness of the product, a motor is provided to move the rolls together or apart, as the case may be. The motor requires one minute to move the rolls apart 0.0025 of an inch. Flexible material can be calendered into tape, thin film, heavy sheeting or material to be granulated. Rigid compounds are generally cal-sudered into sheet form.

#### WHY THE BAYS?

The reason for having a number of bays and for separating them by partitions is to segregate the operations and raw materials, especially colors and resins, leading to different types of end products. In each of the bays material for a different purpose may be produced. In one bay film of 0.004 of an inch in thickness was leaving the calender. It is for use in making consumer goods such as rain coats, shower curtains, umbrellas, ctc. In another bay the calendered film is moved directly by overhead conveyor to a granulator. After granulation it is pneu-matically conveyed into a cyclone and discharged onto a magnetic separator and vibrating screen. The material is then bagged for shipment. This granulated plastic is for electrical insulating and molding compounds.

Most of the bays contain two mixers. The two are required to supply the mill and calender when thick sheeting is produced.

In yet another bay transparent, transluscent or opaque sheeting from 10 thousandths of an inch up with a matte or polished surface is made from calendered sheeting in a hydraulic press with heated platens. The press has ten openings. Sheets of plastic are built up into sandwiches consisting of a number (depending on the thickness to be planished) of metal planishing plates and sheets of plastic, then loaded into ten openings of a 20-opening hydraulic elevator. Alternate openings are vacant. Sandwiches are transferred to empty openings in the clevator. The elevator is dropped one opening and the sandwiches to be pressed are



Air conditioning system when installed was one of largest in industry



Blended compound is dropped into stainless-clad steel weigh lorry

inserted in the open press. Pressing cycle is automatic and is controlled by recording and controlling equipment.

When the sheets are removed from the pressing operation they are carefully inspected under fluorescent lights for imperfections and packed into paper-lined wooden boxes. To protect the finish on the surfaces of the planished sheets and metal plates the operators wear gloves.

Boxes of plastic sheets are handled on ball-type conveyor tables. This type of conveyor is convenient for handling boxes where there are corners to be turned and for turning the boxes around and otherwise handling



Boxes of plastic sheet are handled on ball-type conveyor tables which are useful where there are corners to be turned



Further mixing of the ingredients in the mass is done on roll mills



After mixing is complete the mass is placed on air elevating conveyor which carries it to top of a 4-roll 3-high calender

them. The conveyor was constructed in Bakelite's own machine shop from ball and socket units obtained from conveying equipment companies. The steel balls are 1.5 in. in diameter and each socket unit is rated at 100-lb. load carrying capacity. These conveyors are frequently used in the automobile industry.

Vinyl resin coated paper to be made into closure liners for food products is produced in another bay. Vinyl resin compound plasticized with an innoxious material is calendered onto bleached sulphite paper for this purpose. A magnetic gage continuously measures the thickness of the coating on the paper. The resin compound for the closure material is white, soft and flexible. It will not be attacked by foodstuffs and most chemicals. The resin coating and paper are of approximately equal thickness and total 0.005 of an inch.

The sandwich material for safety glass is based on polyvinyl butyral resin. The, demand for safety glass is so large in normal times that the equipment in one bay is kept continually busy on this one application. The resin is plasticized with triethylene glycol di-2-ethylbutyrate. The materials are then mixed. The mass is calendered and dusted with sodium bicarbonate which re-



Sheets are carefully inspected by men and women wearing gloves

duces the tackiness. Film on leaving the calender passes through a festoon dryer where the water is removed and then rolled into continuous lengths. The speed of the festoon passing through the dryer is coordinated with the calendering rate by two photoelectric devices.

The building in which the vinyl resin compounds are produced is of Gothic design. The railroad siding along the south side is reserved for incoming raw materials and the siding along the north side for outgoing finished products. Raw materials are stored in the space that extends the entire length of the building on the south



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Mixer fluxes mass by frictional or applied heat and changes dry. bulky material into coherent dough side. Finished plastics are stored in the corresponding space along north side. In between these two large rooms and perpendicular to them are 16 operating bays. This arrangement provides straight-line flow of materials.

#### BUILDING LAYOUT

The general layout of the building is such that extensions can be added without disrupting the present plan concerning facilities and flow of materials. The significant feature of the construction is the fact that all manufacturing areas are windowless, with artificial lighting and air conditioning for purposes of cleanliness, working comfort of personnel, and maintenance of uniform processing temperature. These features are very important from the standpoint of product quality. Every possible precaution is taken to prevent contamination of the materials during storage and processing in order to turn out a product of the highest purity and perfection. Much of the processing equipment has been made of special alloys to prevent any corrosion or even tarnishing with resultant discoloration of product. The resin storage bins are aluminum, and the blenders, lorries and hoppers are made of stainless-clad steel. All machinery has been painted white to encourage cleanliness. The operators are required to wear white work clothes. The men and women in the laminating bay wear white gloves. Dust arresters are used on several operations to further insure manufacture of high quality products.

When the fabricating plant was completed in 1941, the air conditioning system was one of the largest industrial installations at that time. An interesting sidelight in connection with this great plant and its large air conditioning system is the role that the late Dr. Lco Backeland, founder of the Bakelite Corp. played in the field of air conditioning. Dr. Backeland is said to have been the father of modern industrial air conditioning (paper read before the International Congress of Applied Chemistry in Berlin, June, 1903).

This air conditioning system consists of two compressors, each with capacity of 500 tons per 24 hours of refrigeration. Only one is used regularly during the summer months; the second is used for stand-by service and for possible additions to the buildings.

The volume of air circulated in each of the 16 manufacturing bays is 45,000 cu. ft. per min. All of the air is filtered and half of it is conditioned to 85 deg. F. and 40 percent relative humidity, to be circulated in the working area. The balance of the air is filtered raw air and is circulated inside the machine enclosures. The positive air pressure maintained in each bay, for the pur pose of excluding air-borne dust, is a fraction of one inch hydrostatic water pressure.

Mixer dumps the mass onto a conveyor carrying it onto a hot 2-roll mill which gives the vinyl resinous mass additional mixing. Each mill is in its own bay separated by partitions in order to segregate operations and raw materials





#### A-BOMB TESTS

#### (Continued from page 96)

Skilling and I tramped through the jungle to the original Jap hangout during their occupancy. There's not much left except a cistern, two wells, some trenches, etc. There is a lot of Japanese markings on lumber and crates. We then walked for a half mile out on the coral shelf on the ocean side of the island. Home tired and hungry after a refreshing dip to eat a ten course "4th of July" dinner, even a cigar and a package of cigarettes at each place. We said goodbye to Bikini Lagoon, the boys all agreed that it was good to get on the way again, that it really felt like old times to be in the open sea with the good ship Panamint plunging and rolling along on a visit to Guam and other of the islands.

#### TEST BAKER

#### A Great Spectacle Impressive to Behold



Baker Day-25 July 1946

This is the day we've been waiting for. The gods are with us for the weather is fine and everything is set for the big underwater test of the world's fifth atomic bomb. It's now 0735 so there's exactly an hour left before the scheduled explosion. I've been up since 0530, mostly on deck watching us steam into position. A new position, at that, because it is apparent that the wind has shifted and is now blowing from rather than toward the NE. Therefore we guess that we'll be on a SW line from the point of detonation—probably about 12 miles away, or even less. We can see the target array, even without glasses, which is an improvement over the first test.

I have never seen quite so many in the wardroom for breakfast promptly at 0700. They gave us steak and potatoes—with onions, believe it or not! I sat opposite big Bob Aiken of Ossining, N. Y., who reminded us that the day after an execution in Sing Sing the papers always say "the dead man ate a hearty breakfast." We did. Both of the radar televisor screens were on the beam and we could see two views of the target array. One was from a low tower on the island, for you could see the palm trees on Bikini Beach. The other was probably from our own radar. It was possible to identify the Saratoga and the Nagato which will help us orient ourselves in relation to the schematic diagram given us.

It's now 0855 and the excitement is over. What excitement it was! As a spectacle, Baker made up for more than all our disappointment at the sight we saw at Able. It was tremendous in size—and did not follow any previous pattern. Before I attempt my feeble description, let's go back a bit and pick up where I left off. About 0745 I went up on the boat deck and argued with some of the navigators about our position.

At 0800 I went up two decks higher to the flying bridge where I had seen the first test. I sat along side of Major Orlando Rangel, the Brazilian observer. First there was a flash that lasted only an instant. To me it was formless and brilliantly white. Immediately there arose the grey-white pillar of steam and water. It was only perhaps 10 or 20 ft. high and 2,000 or 2,500 ft. wide when I first saw it. Then it built right up upon itself and in a second or so it was four or five times as high as it was wide-so it must have been at least 10,000 ft. and could possibly have been 15,000. Then the billowy clouds began to spread out from the whole base like vapors from a boiling kettle. Suddenly a whiter, brighter cloud shot upward from the middle of the pillar and in less than a minute because it preceded the sound of the blast which reached us at 54 sec. according to Major Rangel's stopwatch. I neglected to say that almost simultaneously with the blast, some of us felt a very slight heat wave-about like a momentary flash of average sunlightno morc or less intense.

Then as the kettle continued to boil, the clouds became darker and denser and completely blotted out the whole horizon in the direction of the target array. Looking upward, I tried to find the typical mushroom pattern in the mounting clouds. There may have been a slight hint at such a formation but it was indistinct. There were rounded "heads" or billows as the clouds went higher and higher. But about this time, I was attracted by the waves that were beating up against the reef. At first they were just white-caps but each was followed by a larger and higher wave until they reached a peak I would estimate at 10 ft. They continued for five minutes or so but gradually subsided.

By this time the foggy clouds at the horizon had lifted enough for us to catch fleeting glimpses of the island and targets. At first we thought that Baker had "shot the works." Then we began to recognize one after another of the more prominent ships.

#### 26 July 1946-8:10 a.m.

We are in the lagoon and have been since about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Our position is a little more than a mile from the beach at Bikini and perhaps two or three miles from the target array. Things are still on the "hot" side from standpoint of radioactivity but I expect that we'll be in the small boats before the end of the day, cruising around the ships even if not permitted to go aboard.

Blandy gave some figures which interested me immensely since they gave expert con-
firmation to some of my wild guesses of yesterday morning. He said that the pillar of water was 2,100 ft. wide at its base and I had guessed it was between 2,000 and 2,500 ft. He said it rose to a maximum of 9,000 ft. in height before merging into the clouds. I guessed that it had been at least 10,000 ft. but might possibly have been 15,000. Not bad for a landlubber amateur, don't you think? We were also fairly close on the height of that wave which at its peak I had estimated at 10 ft.

We had a two hour session appraising the observations of the observers. These meetings of the Monday morning quarterbacks give me something of an inferiority complex. I know I'm color-blind but I hate to be reminded that I can't see other things that others can see. For instance yesterday there were at least a dozen in our group who said they saw whole ships or parts of ships carried high aloft by the geyser caused by the bomb burst. Dunbar of Yale admitted that he saw a ship standing almost upended in the column. John Grebe said he saw what he thought might have been a submarine. Others reported they saw debris. Gene Starr of Oregon, who was in the Eagle's Nest this time, saw some ships roll violently on their keels-maybe as much as 45 deg. Marshall Stedman of Canada believes he saw the Arkansas sink. So much for what we saw.

### 27 July 1946-7:55 a.m.

There was better agreement on what we heard. The noise that came to us was clocked at 53, 54 and 55 seconds by various observers. Some thought it sounded about like the crack of a pistol-others said it was more like a shotgun. The arrival time of the shock wave, which most of us felt as a sensation in our cars was 12 seconds. Calculations based on both of these figures indicate that we were about 11.1 to 11.3 statute miles from the burst. The water wave was calculated to have moved forward at the rate of 65 to 70 ft. per sec. It ran up the beach at Bikini for about 30 ft. or so but did not wash over any except the very smallest islands. It was probably between 5 and 10 ft. high. It took the wave about three minutes to reach Bikini.

### 28 July 1946-8:30 a.m.

Yes sir, we're homeward bound! The conference with Admiral Blandy and party yesterday afternoon gave us a lot of satisfactory information but none quite so thrilling as the news that we were to pull out at 6 o'clock for Kwajalein and await orders there for debarkation to the States. The whole thing had an electrifying effect on the ship. You could feel it in the very atmosphere. The crew sang louder and longer last night. And all of us are studying our calendars to dope out when we may hit the USA.

There's lots to report as a result of two things: the conference with the Blandy party and our own inspection of the beached destroyer Hughes. I'll do them chronologically. We got a sudden call yes-terday morning that the observers might make an inspection of one of the damaged vessels. So we got into one of the Panamint's landing craft and pulled away about two miles to the beach at Enu Island where the salvage vessels had beached the US Destroyer Hughes 410. It had been badly mauled by the blast and was listing so that her deck was only 2 or 3 ft. above water. Apparently she was "cool" enough radiologically to permit attaching a tow and they hauled her over to this small island next to Bikini. As we came up to her we could see that the stack and superstructure had been crumpled. On her port side, a great section of her bridge had been pushed out, apparently by the waves, and was dangling down at an angle of 45 degrees. Pulling around to the starboard (beach side) we saw a strange sight. Two of her large torpedoes had been ejected partly from their projecting tubes. One was sticking straight out about 10 ft. The other was further extended and held only by its tip so that it dangled dangerously at an angle of perhaps 30 deg. As we passed by within 20 to 30 ft. we held our breath for fear that the torpedoes might come loose and come at us.

Now for the Blandy conference that started about 1430 and was shared with some of the officers from the Blue Ridge. Admiral Blandy was piped on board. With him were Admiral Parsons, General Kepner, Dr. Sawyer, technical director, Captain Neskern, (ship materials expert), another naval captain on safety and Captain Quackenbush, the naval photographer. They held forth for almost two hours. Blandy told us first that the radioactivity was persisting longer than had been expected and that it would be several days, perhaps a week, before it would lift sufficiently to allow complete inspections. He summed up the official score of damage as follows: Sunk: Arkansas, battleship; Saratoga, an-craft carrier; Cement Yard Oiler 160; two landing craft tanks and; of course, the LCM in which the bomb was planted. Possibly sunk: Five submarines, the Pilotfish, Apogon, Skipjack, Sea Raven and Dentua. But there is conflicting evidence on the subs, he said. In the case of the Apogon, there have been air and oil arising from her and she is undoubtedly on the bottom. The others have cut loose from their buoys and are presumed to be on the bottom but no one knows if their seams have opened. The Skate and Parch remained on the surface. The Tuna, which had been submerged, has just been surfaced. In addition there was bad damage to the Hughes, the transport Fallon and the battleships Nagato and New York. The Fallon has also been beached.

Admiral Parsons reported that all preparations on the bomb had proceeded on schedule. It had been kept all night on LCM 60 and the "trigger" was set when the party finally left the ship at 0607 Baker Day. Bomb efficiency has not been calculated finally but preliminary estimate is that it was of about the same efficiency as all the others. Dr. Sawyer reported that the instrumentation appeared entirely satisfactory, that is, he believed that he would have measurements for all the efforts expended. Sawyer said that the size and height of the water columns were about as calculated by extrapolation from the TNT experiments conducted in the States. He guessed that nothing happened that was not predicted but admitted that many things predicted did not happen. Wave height was measured at 10 to 15 ft. at 8,100 ft. from point of detonation. Using accepted formulas for calculation of wave height, this meant that at 4,000 ft. from the center the wave was actually 200 ft. high. The first wave was not technically a gravity wave but rather an annulus of water driven out by the explosion. It is believed that the column of water may have been only about 5,000 ft. high rather than the 9,000 or 10,-000 originally estimated. The explanation is that the soft bottom of the coral lagoon may have dampened the blow. We know from the green color that there must have been a large crater scooped out of the bottom and this will be measured by instruments as soon as the area "cools" down.

The captain reporting on safety said that the present situation requires serious study before permitting any more inspections. The most dangerous ("Geiger sour") area, also called "red", is now about 40,000 sq. yd. and included 31 of the target vessels. The next most polluted area, called "blue", covers 70,000 sq. yd. and includes almost as many vessels. So far "green" area is limited to vessels at extreme fringes and a few spots. The oil slicks that are occasionally seen still are often 1,000 or several thousand times more active radiologically than the water itself. Fortunately, there has been a good breeze that is having a purging effect in blowing the red area west and north of Bikini Island-between Bikini and Enu. Sawyer estimated that 25 percent of the radioactivity went into the water, mostly concentrated in top 25 ft. of depth. The heaviest contamination was within 2,000 ft. of the burst.

Captain Neskem reported that damage from wave action was considerable. A buoy now rests on the deck of the Nagato. I'll sign off and get this on the boat now being lowered to go ashore at Kwajalein. It's 1045 and I've been to church in the meantime. Quite a bit of news after a day here at Kwajalein. We are still in the harbor but our orders came through last night and sometime during the day we shall weigh anchor and be on our way to the USA.

# CHEMICAL ENGINEERING PLANT NOTEBOOK-

THEODORE R. OLIVE, Associate Editor

### **\$50 CASH PRIZE FOR A GOOD IDEA!**

Until further notice the editors of Chemical Engineering will award \$50 cash each month to the author of the best short article received that month and accepted for publication in the "Chemical Engineering Plant Notebook." The winner each month will be announced in the issue of the next month: e.g., the August winner will be announced in September, and his article published in October. Judges will be the editors of Chemical Engineering. Non-winning articles submitted for this contest will be published if acceptable, in that case being paid for at space rates applying to this department. (Right is reserved to make no award if no article received is of award status.)

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Articles may deal with any sort of plant or production "kink" or shortcut that will be of interest to chemical engineers in the process industries. In addition, novel means of presenting useful data, as well as new cost-cutting ideas, are acceptable. Address Plant Notebook Editor, *Chemical Engineering*, 330 West 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y.

### June Contest Prize Winner HOW ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY CAN AID IN SEPARATION OF IMMISCIBLE LIQUIDS

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**B**ATCH separations of two immiscible liquids can be easily accomplished in the plant when the two liquids vary in color or opacity, by means of a simple sight glass at the bottom of the settling tank. However, when the liquids are both dceply colored (or opaque), and the interface cannot be observed, such a procedure becomes extremely difficult if not impossible. In organic processes these two layers frequently consist of an aqueous solution and an organic liquid. It was to assist in the separation of such charges that the following device was used.

Electrical contacts or electrodes, somewhat similar to automobile spark plugs, were inserted through the wall of the settling tank at intervals down to the bottom valve. These were connected to small indicating light bulbs and also to a power supply of about 6 volts. The actual voltage was adjusted so that those plugs immersed in the aqueous solution conducted sufficient current to brightly light up the corresponding bulbs, while the bulbs corresponding to those plugs immersed in the non-conducting organic layer remained extinguished.

Using this device the path of the interface could be observed descending the tank as the liquids were run out. As the interface passed a contact, its bulb would either light up or be extinguished depending on whether the aqueous solution formed the top or bottom layer. The point of complete separation was reached when the contact immediately over the valve indicated the presence of the interface.

Electrodes connected to indicating lights installed in the tank wall show the progress of the interface between conducting and non-conducting immiscible liquids; below, detail of connections



### **JULY WINNER!**

A prize of \$50 in cash will be issued to

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For an article dealing with a simple method of siphoning tank cars without vacuum pump that has been judged the winner of our July contest.

This article will appear in our September issue. Watch for it!

This device has been used successfully for separating mixtures similar to aniline and spent sulphide liquors. Even when the aqueous solution contains a relatively weak electrolyte such as sodium nitrophenate the device has proved effective.

### AMMONIA SCRUBBERS CON-TROLLED BY SIMPLE FLOWMETER

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REGULATION of the flow of water through a set of ammonia scrubbers was solved by constructing a simple flow metering in the works' machine shop. It is simple in design, rugged and easily constructed. It consists of a steel pipe  $l\frac{1}{2}$  in. in diameter and 1 ft. long. To one end is attached a hand valve (needle valve type) and to the other end is attached an orifice constructed from a pipe cap (preferably made from a corrosion resistant metal). Through the latter a hole 3/2 in. in diameter was drilled. The approximate size was first determined by using the hydraulic formula,  $V = \sqrt{2gh}$ , as an aid to the cut and try method. About 1 in. above this orifice a tube 1 in. in diameter was tapped on to the 11 in. steel pipe to which a pressure gage of range from 0 to 30 psi. ga. was attached. The gage was calibrated by measuring the amount of water flowing into a large bottle of known volume, the time of filling being measured by a stop watch. The arrangement appears in Fig. 1. The gage in this particular case, with no pressure exerted upon it, indicated a pressure of 0.5 psi. ga.

The water was obtained at approximately 80 psi. ga. from the city main and was fairly constant with some slight deviation in pressure during peak hours which did not materially affect the rate of flow. Any





adjustments of flow are easily made by the use of the needle valve. The orifice can be unscrewed easily for inspection and cleaning. During the months of operation with unfiltered water no obstructing material was found in the orifice.

The chart of Fig. 2 shows the calibration curve of the orifice, indicated by the solid line. This curve is augmented with additional complementary data secured by analysis on the particular installation and indicating the percentage of ammonia in the exit liquors and also the ammonia content in the exit gases.

In the installation for which this chart was drawn the curve showing percent  $NH_s$ in the liquor from the last compartment (dash line) and that showing grains of  $NH_s$ per cu. ft. of tail gas (dash-dot line) are both drawn for a temperature of 76 deg. F. With each increase or decrease of 1 deg. F., there will be a corresponding decrease or increase of about 5 percent in ammonia percentage of the liquor; or a corresponding increase or decrease of about 5 percent in ammonia content of the tail gas from the system.

### TRUCK SPEED CHART FOR MATERIALS HANDLING

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DURING some recent production planning it was necessary to check the speed required for materials handling trucks. The time available for a given operation could be estimated readily and the distance to be covered could be computed or scaled from a drawing. Although the calculation of necessary truck speed from these data was not difficult, the accompanying chart was a valuable time saver since a considerable number of calculations would otherwise have had to be made.

The required average speed of the truck is determined immediately by the intersection of the ordinate of time available with the abscissa of distance to be covered. For example, as shown on the chart, where the time is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  min. and the distance is 650 ft., the average speed must be at least 5 m.p.h. Electric truck specifications usually include the speed of the truck so it can quickly be determined whether or not the truck can do the work in the required time.

### DEVELOPING CIRCULATION IN AN EVAPORATOR

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A SMALL evaporator was required for some pilot plant work. We located one that seemed to be about the right size and installed it, only to find that there was trouble with "priming" or foaming over. The evaporator was second-hand, to say the least, and was of an out-moded design. The foaming was doubtless caused by pushing it beyond



#### How tubes were removed from evaporator to increase its capacity

its rated capacity, but we would not have been satisfied with a slower rate of operation.

Inspection showed that the nest of tubes completely filled the width of the body. Although this made possible the maximum available heating surface, it provided no definite path for circulation, and the charge seemed to bounce up and down.

Correction of the trouble was simple and may provide a clue for the improvement of other similar evaporators. We removed two vertical rows of tubes along one side and thus afforded a clear return path for the liquid to reach the under side of the tube bank. Of course, the holes in the tube sheets were plugged off. This enabled us to maintain the desired rate of operation despite the reduced heating sur-

Truck speed required to cover a given distance in a given time can be determined immediately with this chart



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face, and also insured smooth operation of the evaporator.

### LIQUID LEVEL GAGE GIVES CONTINUOUS READINGS

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THERE was a need for a cheap, simple means for continously measuring liquid level in a process tank. Rapid agitation and the presence of coarse crushed ice on the liquid surface made an inside float gage impractical. A float gage in an external tube or a sight glass were also unsuitable because of plugging and the fact that one of the several liquids mixed in the tank might become isolated in the tube and give a false reading. A commercial liquid-head gage with hand pump would have required too much of the operator's attention.

The system shown on the accompanying diagram was developed, using compressed air from plant lines (40-50 psi.) reduced to a constant 10 psi. Through a needle valve the low pressure air was bubbled into the tank. An open-end manometer connected as shown measured the pressure required and was calibrated in feet of liquid. Carbon tetrachloride was used as the manometer fluid although any liquid whose specific gravity would give a convenient and accurate reading could be used.

Equipment as follows was required: A ‡-in. steel pipe from air line to bubble bottle; a ‡-in. lead tube from bubble bottle to tank; a pressure reducing valve (cost only partly chargeable to this installation); a needle valve; glass tubing, bottles, and stop-

pers. The lead line extending to the top of the tank prevented accidental backing-up of corrosive liquid. The bubble bottle permitted control of the air rate. The reducing valve prevented rupture of the apparatus.

An inert gas such as nitrogen could be used in place of air. For a metal kettle, entrance could be made through a tee at the bottom outlet.

Plant air supply gives continuous readings on liquid level gage





Fig. 1-This chart solves for the term a in Equation (1)

### NOMOGRAPHS FOR CORRECTING **BOILING POINTS**

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B OILING POINTS are frequently determined at pressures far below atmospheric. Correction to 760 mm. of mercury can be made by means of equations, attributed to Hass and Newton<sup>2</sup>:

0	χ =	$\phi + 0.15(2.8808 - \log p)$	(1)
and A		$(273 + t) (2.8808 - \log p)$	(2)
and $\Delta$	1 -		(2)

where  $\phi = a$  linear function of the boiling point at standard pressure as defined by a plot reproduced in the reference and dependent upon the group to which the compound belongs; p = observed pressure, mm. of mercury; t = boiling point, deg. C., at $the observed pressure; and <math>\Delta t = correction$ to be added to the observed boiling point, deg. C.

Equations (1) and (2) may be solved conveniently and accurately by means of the nomographs of Figs. 1 and 2, respectively,



which were constructed by methods described previously.1 The use of the charts is illustrated as follows:

What is the boiling point of ethanol at 760 mm. of mercury if its boiling point at 200 mm. is 48.3 deg. C.? The accompanying table shows ethanol to belong to group No. 8. Following the key and index lines in Fig. 1, connect 48.3 on the t scale with the point corresponding to group No. 8 and note the intersection with the  $\phi$  scale. Connect this point with 200 on the p scale and read the value of  $\alpha$  as 6.095. Following the key and index lines in Fig. 2, connect 48.3 on the t scale with 6.095 on the  $\alpha$ scale and note the intersection with the  $\beta$ scale. Connect this point with 200 on the p scale and read the correction as 30.6 deg. C. on the  $\Delta t$  scale. The corrected boiling point is, then, 48.3 + 30.6 or 78.9 deg. C., which is in fair agreement with 78.3 deg. C., the value reported in the literature.

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### Groups in Which Various Compounds Belong

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# FROM THE VIEWPOINT OF THE EDITORS-

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### CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

AT THIS time another step is being taken to bring the title of this publication in line with its editorial policies. Henceforth, its name will be Chemical Engineering.

Beginning in January 1910, emphasis in the magazine was on metallurgy, but by July 1918 the rapid development of chemical engineering brought about a change in editorial emphasis, and likewise in the title of the publication, which became Chemical & Metallurgical Engineering. Webster defines metallurgy as "The science and art of extracting metals from their ores, refining them and preparing them for use. It includes various processes as smelting, amalgamation, electrolytic refining, rolling, heat-treating, etc." According to this definition metallurgy has reached the vanishing point in the pages of this publication.

Since metals and alloys are used so extensively for equipment by chemical engineers, we shall continue the reports on Materials of Construction, with the twelfth in the series in November. The more recently established Corrosion Forum will appear monthly as usual. Major emphasis will continue to be on chemical engineering as in the past quarter century. In other words, while no changes will be made in editorial policies, the title of the magazine has been slightly modified so that it will be more descriptive of the contents.

### CHICAGO CHEM SHOW

A FEATURE of this issue of Chemical Engineering is a review of recent developments of chemical engineering interest in the Middle West. The special section has been designed for the benefit of those chemists and engineers who are planning to attend the Fourth National Chemical Exposition at the Chicago Coliseum next month.

A telegraphic survey among some of the leading chemical engineers in the Midwest reports the outstanding economic and technical developments affecting their process industries since the last Chicago Chem Show. Then follow several articles. The first is on how the Midwest Research Institute at Kansas City is spearheading a movement to industrialize the mid-continent. This region, ordinarily thought of as America's breadbasket, is ripe for an industrial flare-up, and the Institute is doing its best to strike the sparks that will touch off the blaze. Next follow a pair of articles which deal with the recent formation in Chicago and Cincinnati of technical society councils that bring together all of the various engineering, scientific, technical and professional activities of the areas. These organizations are setting up patterns for decentralizing society activities and building strength and influence into combined work of all technical men. They can prove exceedingly important.

Finally, an editorial staff survey presents a preview of the new equipment and materials that the exhibitors are preparing to display at the Chem Show. This should be of first importance to the man participating in the show at Chicago, September 10 to 14. And if present indications mean anything the show is going to be well worth attending.

### PERENNIAL PROBLEM

ONCE a year we attempt to estimate production of each of the most important synthetic resins for the previous calendar year. This pastime is not peculiarly ours for various government agencies report figures of their own compilation. Unfortunately, for the chemical engineer concerned with the use of these data, there are wide discrepancies which necessarily leave him greatly bewildered.

Some uniform method of reporting statistics for the plastics industry is highly desirable. Probably the most comparable figures would be based on resin content, omitting fillers, solvents, plasticizers and other compounding ingredients. Often these additives weigh more than does the resin base. When this method of reporting is impossible full explanatory information should accompany the data if they are to have any real significance.

### **CWS NEEDS FRIENDS**

CHEMICAL industry and the chemical profession now have a special task that urgently needs doing. This is the selling of Chemical Warfare Service to Congressmen and the rest of official Washington. Perhaps never before has it been so urgent that we make clear the long-time fundamental importance of CWS as a unit of military preparedness.

This new need arises from the fact that several important commissioned officers of that Service have been drawn into various phases of the Mead Committee investigation. We do not pretend to know, or to interpret, the real significance of those matters. That is a job for the investigators. But it is our task to point out the fact that whatever has been done by individuals, there is nothing which has changed the fundamental importance of chemical warfare as a part of military research and of the United States Army.

### **ENTERPRISE VS. YARDSTICK**

AGAIN this summer the issue between privately-owned business and TVA as a government corporation has been raised. Again the "yardstick" has undertaken to become a competitor of chemical enterprise in the fertilizer industry.

This is very unfortunate. TVA rendered certain important services. It has stimulated certain divisions of the fertilizer business into aggressive and progressive action which might not otherwise have developed. But this does not excuse TVA for seeking to build and operate a fertilizer factory at Mobile.

The New Deal philosophy is not conspicuous, but it is evidently importantly supported in certain of the government agencies. Chemical enterprise and the chemical profession will do well to watch for and to condemn such efforts as TVA recently made to become a competitor of the enterprise system.

### WHERE IS THE CLOCK?

A NEW philosophy of "time worked" is now fixed in the law and regulations by a decision of the U. S. Supreme Court. That final tribunal has ruled regarding certain activities which often were previously not included in work time.

The Court says that a man is at work if he has punched the time clock at some distant gate and is walking to his job. Also he is on work time while dressing, tool sharpening, lighting up, or opening windows of his working place. The Court thus materially extends the time for which payment must be made, and for which calculation must be included when determining the end of regular working time and the beginning of overtime.

Technology is not going to be changed by this ruling. But the technical planning of works and the assignment of duties may be. Certainly we can not have expensive specialists doing routine tasks at high hourly rates. Preparing the work place and doing all routine minor jobs will certainly have to be assigned to other persons under this new wagehour interpretation made by the Court.

### TWENTY DAYS A MONTH

MECHANIZATION in many process industries will be strongly accelerated by the continuing trend to shorter hours and higher wages. It is evident that before long the average employce is not going to work more than five days per week without greatly increased rate for "overtime." This fact, and the frequency of holidays, means that the average employce now works only about twenty days a month for full-time employment and full-time pay.

This fact has large chemical engineering significance. It means at once that the chemical engineer in making plans must arrange for almost five employees for each station in continuous process industry. Sometimes even a sixth will be needed in order to provide for vacations and the exigencies of accident, illness, and various other complications which are inevitable in a continuous process. Thus we must train many more workers up to the minimum acceptable skill for each job to be filled.

The hourly rates for these skilled workers will gradually climb higher. As a contribution to a higher standard of living, that is a desirable thing. As a contribution to higher unit cost for direct labor in goods manufacture, it poses a new sort of engineering problem. We must use new factors in our calculation as to when further mechanization for labor-saving becomes profitable, and in this calculation it is not unusual to find that one must use a minimum wage of nearly a dollar an hour for anything but the most menial of unskilled tasks. Skilled operatives will command much more than that, of course.

While we wait for the time when we can get prompt deliveries of wanted machinery and materials of construction we can all profitably get out and restudy our old cost estimates for expansion plans and modernization programs. Some which were rejected by top management when oldtime cost units prevailed may now deserve approval when recalculated with the new unit figures now applicable.

### SURRENDERING PATENTS

THE Department of Commerce has recently spotlighted the dedication to the public for free use of 12 patents formerly owned by two American corporations. These two companies which are active in the fields of interest to chemical engineers have decided that they wish to make these patents available to all without charge. In this they imitate voluntarily what seems to have been a forced dedication of patents by the Aluminum Company of America.

One wonders how far this trend in relinquishing of patent rights is going to go. Some, perhaps much, is fully justified both in the public interest and for the good of the companies involved. But the trend can go too far, or become too rapid. If a board of directors or a banker is going to appropriate large sums in the hope of profit, he often must be assured that the company investing the money will be protected against excessive competition at the early stages of development. We can hope, therefore, that companies are not going to be too rapidly stimulated in surrender of patents that they may need for the protection of new investment.

An alternative that may sometimes serve all purposes is to announce a willingness to license patents on a basis of nominal royalty so that development by others may be stimulated. That practice is particularly good when the result is the stimulation of customer industries. Patents may no longer be as important as they once were. But they still have great potential importance that deserves careful analysis by each patent owner and licensce.

### SELF-DEFEATING LEGISLATION

PRESIDENT TRUMAN did well to criticize certain features of the new law providing for the stockpiling of strategic and critical materials. When he signed that measure as passed by Congress, he sharply criticized the section which represented an effort of western legislators to compel the building of stock piles substantially from domestic sources.

The President says that this "Buy American" feature definitely conflicts with other provisions of the same law. He points out that it will increase the cost of the stockpile to the taxpayer. He makes clear that it tends to deplete national underground resources of scarce materials. That in turn makes it necessary to build a still greater stockpile.

It is most unfortunate that this important measure of national preparedness should be weakened by this Buy American feature. Those who support that feature are clearly ones who seek immediate personal political gain in their states or districts by voting new business for their constituents at the expense of a sound program.

This is a technologic matter that laymen, and even politicians, do not always understand. It is a question which can well be spotlighted and argued frequently until the Buy American feature is eliminated, for that is certainly an unwarranted part of the law that tends to defeat the preparedness measure as a whole.

# PROCESS EQUIPMENT NEWS-

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### **DUPLEX STRAINER**

TRANSPARENT Lucite, which permits visual inspection, is used in the casing of a new duplex pipeline strainer offered by J. A. Zurn Mfg. Co., Erie, Pa. The transparent feature permits the operator to determine readily when the strainer unit needs cleaning without in any way disturbing its operation. When cleaning is required, flow can be diverted instantly into the second chamber of the unit without loss of pressure. Thus the filled chamber can be cleaned while the pipeline maintains normal flow. As will be observed in the accompanying illustration, the flat, horizontal design makes this strainer particularly adaptable to any low, close-quarter installation. Strainers are made with bodies and other metal parts of bronze, with brass, Monel or other metal employed for the strainer basket.

### LIQUID TREATER

VERSATOR is the name of a novel new machine for a variety of liquid treatments that has been introduced by the Cornell Machine Co., 101 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y. For example, the device may be used for vacuum treatment, homogenizing, emulsifying, dispersing, degassing, dearating, evaporating, dehydrating, distilling, chemical reactions and a variety of other purposes. It operates primarily to reduce any flowable material—from the most fluid to the most viscous—into a film of microor mono-particle thickness without the application of mechanical pressure and without temperature rise.

How this is done will be evident from an examination of the accompanying illustration which shows a stationary casing containing a rotating open bowl of 26 in. diameter, designed to operate at high speed and provided with a feed pipe at the center and a draw-off pipe at the periphery. Material to be processed is fed on to the spinning disk at its center so as to form an exceedingly thin film by centrifugal force. The turbulence of this film and its extreme thinness provide, it is claimed, an ideal state for the application of vacuum or pressure, heat or cold, diffusional processes, or irradiation.

Versatility of the new machine is said to make it a valuable tool for users of ball mills, colloid mills, conventional homogenizers, emulsifiers, evaporators and similar equipment. For viscosities no greater than those of heavy lubricating oils the power consumption at capacities ranging from 10 to 100 g.p.m. is said to be no greater than  $7\frac{1}{2}$  hp. Disk speed may be as low as 900 r.p.m. but for most purposes the optimum speed is about 1,800 r.p.m. The equipment can be supplied in a variety of corrosion resisting metals and can be rented for a

### **ROTATING SEAL**

ROTATING shafts of all kinds may be sealed against leakage and ingress of foreign material by means of a new rotating seal known as Sealol CB, that is manufactured by Sealol Corp.. 45 Willard Ave., Providence 5. R. I. The new unit is now available in corrosion resisting construction for shaft sizes from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 in., with other sizes built to order. As shown in the accompanying illustration, this seal is a complete unit without loose parts that needs only to be slipped on to the shaft with the rubber seal face (at left in illustration) pressed firmly against a stationary flat surface. The seal is then locked in place by tightening two set screws on the shaft. The only relative movement in the seal occurs between two lapped metal faces. No special tools are required for installation and it is claimed that the unit is suitable for long continued service.

### NOVEL FILTER ELEMENT

EXTENSIVELY used during the war on many thousands of aircraft, land vehicles and naval units, the Skinner gasoline purifier made by Skinner Purifiers, Inc., Detroit 11. Mich., is now available for civilian applications. Although intended primarily for use in automotive applications, the filtering element is of extremely novel type and

Visible-flow duplex strainer



Cross section of new centrifugal treater



would appear to have many applications outside the filtering of gasoline.

This new unit, shown in an accompanying illustration, filters material by passing it between layers of helically wound ribbons made from an impervious material. Thus the device operates on the principle of edge filtration, the particles being stopped at the outer edge of the ribbons so that they can fall into a sediment chamber. After long use, any accumulation on the surface can be easily cleaned by blowing compressed air backward through the unit. In addition to its ability to remove solid particles, the purifier is said actually to separate free water from hydrocarbon liquids such as gasoline owing to the fact that it presents a filtering surface consisting of innumerable orifices of a few microns in size to the passage of liquids differing widely in surface tension and specific gravity.

### FUEL OIL CONTROLLER

To PERMIT accurate measurement and control of the flow of heavy fuel oil, Askania Regulator Co., 1603 South Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., has developed the Transometer which is capable of controlling, integrating, remote indicating and recording. The device employs a combination of a

Cutaway view of shaft seal



Novel filter cartridge for hydrocarbon purification



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New trussless building frame



Fork truck with side-mounted motor

piston type positive displacement meter and a pneumatic signal transmitter. According to the manufacturer, the measurement of highly viscous materials such as fuel oil can best be handled with a positive meter since accuracy with an orifice depends on constant viscosity and since the flow coefficient at high Reynolds numbers is not constant but is a function of the flow rate.

A novel means has been employed for converting the rate of rotation of the meter into an air impulse which changes with the square of the meter speed. This is accomplished by having the meter drive a fly ball governor, the centrifugal force of which is balanced by a diaphragm under air pressure. The vertical force of the governor is transmitted through a stem to a swing jet pipe from which air under pressure issues to a receiving nozzle communicating with the diaphragm that sets up a counterforce on the jet pipe. Consequently, the position of the jet pipe will always be such that the air pressure on the diaphragm balances the centrifugal force of the governor. As a result, the air pressure thus created is in direct proportion to the speed of the governor and therefore a square function of the oil flow through the displacement meter. It is this pressure which is communicated to and measured by the recording instrument.

#### TRUSSLESS BUILDING FRAME

KNOWN as Rigidsteel construction, a new development in the prefabricated steel building field has been introduced by McCloskey Co., 313 Sixth Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa. Buildings produced by this method are stiffjointed structures made up of a system of





Single-spring preloaded sway brace

beams, rigidly joined together to form a rigid frame that eliminates space-consuming trusses. Secondary bracing is relegated to the building contours. Compact, simply designed ridge and eave joints replace the usual gussets. This simplicity of construction permits a greater area of usable interior head room, in addition to added simplicity and ease of field erection, and portability. Lower maintenance costs and greater ease of alteration are also claimed.

As shown in the accompanying illustration, each bent for a complete steel building unit consists of only four members, two columns and two rafters. Connections are field bolted and erection, dismantling or reerection cost is thus considerably reduced. The beam sections themselves are lower in total cost than a multiplicity of light and highly fabricated sections. An important advantage is that every square inch of a Rigidsteel building can be reached by a paint brush. Furthermore, overhead loads can be installed on the rafters at any point without structural alterations. The structures are available in a variety of building cross sections including sawtooth, multiple aisle, monitor roof and lean-to, to permit any desired type of single-story industrial building.

### COMPACT FORK TRUCK

DECREASE in wheelbase length to 35 in. for extra compactness has been secured in the new Model LT-35 Towmotor by placing the motor at the side of the unit, rather than in front of, or behind the operator. This new development of the Towmotor Corp., Cleveland, Ohio, results in a substantial decrease in over-all length without sacrificing strength. The new model weights only 2,800 lb. but will lift, carry and stack a 1,500 or 2,000 lb. load in areas previously inaccessible to lift truck operation owing to tight aisleways, elevators or other congested spaces. The new design places the operator in a comfortable, fully protected position while adjustments, maintenance and inspection of the engine and other operating parts are said to be facilitated by the new arrangement.

### **IONIZATION VACUUM GAGE**

HIGHEST VACUUM normally encountered in factory or laboratory processes may be measured continuously with a new ionization gage that is now being offered by General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. The instrument measures pressures as low as  $10^{-7}$  mm. of mercury and reads directly in millimeters. The continuous pressure indication feature permits the detection of small pressure changes as well as the measurement of slow pressure drifts without the need for continual adjustment. A protective circuit is provided to turn off the gage tube filament automatically at pressures above  $10^{-4}$  mm. This prevents the possibility of burning out the tube. The control regulates filament emission against line voltage and pressure changes, thus assuring stable and accurate operation. As shown in the accompanying illustration, the instrument consists of a special glass triode which is sealed to the high vacuum system and a gage control unit incorporating the indicating electronic microammeter, filament protective relay, stabilized voltage supply and emission regulator circuit.

#### PIPE SWAY BRACE

Swar and undesirable movements in piping systems can be prevented by the new pre-engineered sway brace recently announced by Grinnell Co., Providence 1, R. I. The brace does not anchor the piping rigidly but permits movement of the piping out of its normal position whenever the force is large enough to overcome the restraining thrust of the brace's single preloaded, two-way-acting spring. In the normal position no forces are exerted on the piping. The controlling action serves to bring the piping back to normal position in the plane of control whenever displacement occurs.

The device employs a single spring which is precompressed between opposed thrust plates. The thrust rod acts on the thrust plates and the spring so that either a pull or a.push on the rod is resisted by the spring. How much initial resistance is afforded to movement of the piping is determined by the degree of preloading of the spring, which can be set to customers' specifications. The design, employing a single spring instead of two, saves space, simplifies construction and permits a simplified inclosure that excludes dirt from the working parts and presents a compact, clean appearance.

#### LEVEL CONTROLLER

WHAT IS SAID to be the only floatless level control employing no vacuum tubes and operating with low-voltage in the probe circuit is the new Series 10 control offered by Photoswitch, Inc., 77 Broadway, Cambridge 42, Mass. This device is designed for use with all electrically conductive liquids, contact with the liquid being made only by



Ni-Rod weld in compressor casting

a stainless steel probe. With alternating current in the probe circuit, it is impossible for electrolytic action to take place. The liquid to be controlled makes or breaks contact with the probe and transmits to the control a minute electrical current at low voltage which by means of a sensitive relay controls a second circuit capable of actuating a signal, valve or pump. The device consumes  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt, operates on 115 or 230 volts, 50-60 cycle a.c., making use of a single-pole, doublethrow relay. The probe circuit will carry a resistance as high as 3,500 ohms.

### ELECTRODE FOR CAST IRON

PREHEATING of iron castings that are to be welded can often be avoided (except where a high degree of machinability is necessary or where structure and shape of the casting are likely to develop high internal stresses) through the use of the new Ni-Rod electrode developed by the International Nickel Co.'s Bayonne research laboratory, Bayonne, N. J. Cast iron is a brittle and heat-sensitive metal, the welding of which has often been difficult in the past. Consistent weld deposits were sometimes difficult to secure and the required preheating and other special treatment of the casting was often troublesome and more difficult than the actual welding.

The new rod, which is nickel, is actually much stronger than the cast iron itself and the fusion of parent metal and rod is so thorough that it is claimed to be virtually impossible to knock loose the weld or overlay. Furthermore, the new rod is said to weld readily in all positions without undercutting or slag inclusions. The rod is recommended by the manufacturer for the three main fields of cast iron welding: General repair and maintenance; repair of minor flaws in new castings: and as a pro duction tool, for example, in welding steel bars to castings.

### **IMPROVED PURITY METER**

SEVERAL improvements have been incorporated in the latest model of Purity Meter offered by Barnstead Still & Sterilizer Co., 2 Lanesville Terrace, Forest Hills, Boston 31, Mass. Like the earlier models, the new instrument measures electrical conductivity of distilled water, reporting the total solids as parts per million of NaC1, but the instrument has attached to its side a new conversion table that enables the reading to be converted directly into any standard units normally used, without calculations on the part of the operator. In addition the instrument employs a much higher resistance basis for the theoretical zero of the scale than formerly, making



New model Purity Meter

readings more accurate, while the low-figure range on the scale has been widened, making the instrument more delicate in fine measurements.

### FLOW TRANSMITTER

To PERMIT the pneumatic transmission of flow measurements on liquids which are so viscous at room temperature that they must be heated considerably to prevent congealing in the lead lines, Republic Flow Meters Co., 2240 Diversey Parkway, Chicago 47, Ill., has introduced a modified pneumatic instrument employing a piston instead of the usual diaphragm. The purpose of this change is to avoid the effect of hot liquids on diaphragms. It is pointed out by the manufacturer that non-metallic diaphragms are not usable above 200 deg. F., while metallic diaphragms might give erratic results at high temperatures.

The transmitter is designed for installation in a manner to keep the measuring chambers hot enough to prevent the measured fluid from congealing in the transmitter chambers and lead lines. The piston and cylinder are made of steel of the same composition so that clearance is maintained regardless of temperature changes. Transmitters of this type are now being used for the measurement of coal-tar pitch at a flowing temperature of 550 deg. F. and petroleum tar at 600 deg. F.

#### EXPENDABLE PALLET

Cost so low is claimed for the new "X-P" expendable pallet offered by Techtmann Industries, 714 West Wisconsin Ave, Milwaukee 1, Wis., that the pallets can be discarded after a single trip. This new fourway pallet is said to achieve a 60 percent reduction in weight by the use of a double corrugated board top, supported on square or round wood blocks. The entire top and the block ends are dipped in a waterresistant adhesive which seals off moisture from the load. These pallets are said to be capable of carrying 4,000-lb. loads without failure. Furthermore, they are said to survive a number of trips without appreciable damage under normal shipping conditions by rail or truck. The standard 42x48 in. size achieves maximum stowage since multiples of these dimensions equal very nearly the width of truck and box car bodies. Other sizes, however, and double faced pallets are also available with block spacings to



High-temperature pneumatic transmitter for flow measurements



Inkless temperature recorder and power unit

suit users' lift equipment. It is claimed that over 1,300 empty pallets, weighing approximately 30,000 lb., can be nested in a 50 ft. box car, using a lift truck for handling.

#### INKLESS RECORDER

TEMPERATURE records of all sorts, where the temperature is measured by a resistance thermometer, can be made with the new Type CI-2 inkless temperature recorder offered by General Electric Co., Schenettady, N. Y. This is a portable instrument with an external power supply. The equipment records by means of a special inkless recording mechanism on a 4-in. strip chart and has a range from 20 to 140 deg. C. With a chart length of 65 ft., the driving motor can be adjusted to provide a record length of from eight days to two years on a single chart. The recorder weighs 11 lb. and the external power unit 5 lb. Both units are mounted in die-cast aluminum housings gasketed for weatherproofing, and each equipped with a leather carrying handle.

### HIGH VISCOSITY METER

SPECIAL requirements of the chemical and petroleum industries, particularly for the measuring of flow of viscous liquids that must be heated to permit pumping, may be met with a new electric meter body with sealed armature recently introduced by the Brown Instrument Co., Wayne & Roberts Aves., Philadelphia, Pa. It is claimed that satisfactory operation is obtained when metering fluids that are highly viscous at normal temperatures. Meter response is said to be improved, and when fluid is placed directly in the meter body, neither seal pots nor liquid purging are required. The meter is essentially self-venting. The armature as-



New axial-flow type ventilating fan



5-kw. preform preheater

sembly is sealed, protected, and lubricated by a mercury fill. In addition to its use for high viscosity liquids, the new meter is said to be suitable for measuring hydrofluoric acid, mixtures of hydrofluoric acid and hydrocarbons, and a variety of volatile fluids.

#### DIELECTRIC HEATER

HEATING of plastic preforms is the function of a new 5-kw. output dielectric heater announced by the Industrial Heating Division of General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Designed for operation at 40 megacycles, using a water-cooled oscillator tube, the device is said to feature fast heating, simple operation and sturdy construction. Since the tube has a generous short-time overload capacity it is said to be possible to use an average full-power, 5-kw. output during the entire heating cycle. When the machine is loaded, it is started by a push-button, after which it operates entirely automatically. The heater is rapid enough to accommodate the alternate operation of two molding presses.

#### AXIAL VENTILATING FAN

BOTH CORROSION resisting construction (employing Monel metal) for handling damp or corrosive vapors, and ordinary cold rolled steel construction for the usual exhaust ventilation problems, can be handled with the new axial-flow type ventilating fan offered by the Moore Co., 544 Westport



Double-action water demineralizer

Road, Kansas City 2, Mo. Made in 3- to 5-ft. diameters, the fan employs a special high-slip, slow-speed direct drive motor equipped with permanently greased steel ball bearings, enabling the fan to be mounted in any position. The input is 700 watts and the motor is internally cooled by circulating air within the hub of the fan without drawing in outside air that might be contaminated. Guide vanes on the inlet side of the fan reduce the tendency of air to corkscrew with the rotation of the blades. Blade tips revolve within a ring that reduces tip losses and a large hub eliminates that portion of the blade that has a low peripheral speed, thereby avoiding the possibility of back flow through the center of the fan.

#### DEMINERALIZER

NEW FOUR-BED water demineralizers designed to give purer water at lower cost have been announced under the designation of Double-Action Type by Barnstead Still & Sterilizer Co., 2 Lanesville Terrace, Forest Hills, Boston 31, Mass. This development, following five years of experimental engineering, encompasses a range of six models, from 3 to 1,000 gallons capacity per hour. The four-bed units employ two cation beds and two anion resin beds, so hooked up that the water passes through two complete ion exchange cycles, thus increasing its purity greatly. Furthermore, the double action feature allows the demineralizer to stay on the line longer between regenerations, decreasing operating labor lowering the cost of demineralized water per gallon. It is claimed that the cost of operating a demineralizer lies largely in the labor spent in regenerating. The company is also producing two-bed models in the same capacity ranges.

### HOT CATHODE RELAY

WHAT IS SAID to be an entirely new principle in electronic relays is employed in a new super-sensitive relay device offered by Automatic Temperature Control Co., 34 East Logan St., Philadelphia 44, Pa. The new principle employs the hot-cathode Thyratron which has characteristics said to be advantageous compared with ordinary vacuum-tube and cold-cathode devices. The relay gives snap action, high load contact



Super-sensitive electronic relay

capacity and may be tripped either by an external contact carrying only three microamperes or by any external circuit whose value drops to one megohm pure resistance.

According to the manufacturer, the device is recommended for use in photocell circuits for direct control of motors, valves and alarms; for motion control applications as in winders; for tear detection on paper machines; for converting delicate contact making instruments such as thermometers and electrical flow meters into positive control devices; and for liquid level control by the conductivity method.

### FOG FIRE FIGHTER

PRODUCTION of fog for fire fighting within four seconds after reaching for the hose is claimed for a new fog producing fire fighting unit announced by Bowser, Inc., Fort Wayne, Ind. The unit is connected directly to a water line, a swing-joint mounting on the wall or on a standpipe making it possible for the cabinet to revolve in alignment with the direction of the hose pull. A valve actuating fixture holds the fog nozzle ready for instant use. The automatic valve releases the spray to full capacity instantly upon removing the nozzle from the cabinet fixture. It is claimed that the unit is unusual in the fact that the special nozzle plays a finely atomized fog with only a medium pressure such as is normally provided by the water system. The unit has been tested and is approved, it is claimed, for use on oil, paint and solvent products. In addition to the fog nozzle the unit is equipped with a standard solid stream nozzle to provide protection in cases where fog cannot reach the flame.

### SOLENOID OPERATING VALVE

ABILITY to operate against high differential pressures, as high as 150 lb., is incorporated in the new direct-acting solenoid valve recently developed by the Johnson Corp., Three Rivers, Mich. The operation of the solenoid in controlling the globe type valve is direct, not pilot operated. Power is applied to the valve disk through an ingenious lever arrangement said to insure positive opening. The single-seated valve enables hot liquids and steam up to 365 deg. F. to be handled. In normal position the valve is closed, but opens instantly to full capacity when the solenoid is energized. Thus wire drawing is said to be avoided and trouble-free operation over a period of years is claimed. The valve can be used for all types of liquid level control, with hot and cold water, steam, oil or other process liquids. Types are available for sizes from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 in. and for various power supplies.

### SWITCHBOARD TACHOMETER

AN ENTIRELY new principle in speed measuring equipment is incorporated in the new line of electric switchboard tachometers introduced by The Metron Instrument Co., 430 Lincoln St., Denver 9, Colo. These tachometers are not of the generator type. The head consists merely of a simple contact mechanism which is connected by an electric cable of any length up to 1,000 ft. with the indicating unit. The oscillating contacts periodically charge a condenser through a d.c. milliammeter. The circuit constants are chosen so that the milliammeter does not correspond to each charge but reads the average current. The circuit has been designed so that the current is exactly proportional to the speed of rotation of the contact mechanism. Depending on the model, guaranteed accuracies range from  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 percent. A variety of contact making heads can be secured to fit any type of machine, while the indicating instrument can be either single or multiple range.

### ELECTRIC HAND TRUCK

MORE THAN 20 major improvements, developed during extensive wartime application of the 'Transporter made by Automatic Transportation Co., 149 West 87th St., Chicago 20, Ill., have been announced in the postwar model now put on the market by this manufacturer. This electrically propelled hand truck, which is produced in both skid and pallet lift types, is now in actual production in the improved model.

The manufacturers claim that the new Transporter will have a potential service life double that of its predccessor and that the maintenance costs will be halved. The appearance has been largely unchanged but important improvements have been made in many of the mechanical parts. For example, a new hydraulic pump used to lift the pallet or skid off the floor is said to reduce by nearly 80 percent the number of strokes formerly required to engage the load, at the same time requiring 25 percent less lifting effort. Only one stroke is necessary to engage a loaded skid with standard l-in. clearance. This result is achieved by combining a low-pressure, high-speed cylinder for raising the platform into contact

Tachometer using a new principle



with the load, with a high-pressure, lowspeed cylinder for raising the load. Transfer from one cylinder to the other is accomplished automatically as the platform encounters load resistance.

The new brake, which is applied automatically by release of the guide handle, is said to be four or five times as powerful as the one used on the old model, immediately stopping a fully loaded machine even on grades up to 10 percent. Numerous improvements have been made in the trucktype, series-wound d.c. motor while structural changes have involved a complete redesign of the driving unit. These result in freer access for maintenance and greater durability of working parts. The driving unit, shown stripped of its inclosures in the accompanying view, is the site of most of the design improvements.

### FLARELESS FITTING

ALL TYPES of metal tubing may be joined with a new flareless fitting for hydraulic and other fluid conveying systems, announced by the Parker Appliance Co., Clevcland, Ohio. The new fitting incorporates a steel ferrule which, when body and inclosing nut are tightened up, acts to cut a shoulder in the tubing itself, thus providing a strong, tight sealing grip for the assembly. This feature is clearly shown in the accompanying illustration. When body A and nut B are tightened, the confined ferrule C is forced forward. The cone angle of the body contacts the ferrule and directs its sharp edge downward, reducing its section and forcing it into the tube so as to produce a shoulder which resists pull-out when pressure is applied to the system. The actual fluid seal, however, is accomplished by the compression of the ferrule which has a negligible effect on the internal diameter of the tubing. Also a second grip is generated at the rear of the ferrule for damping possible vibrations in the system and preventing shortening of the life of the front seal.

### EQUIPMENT BRIEFS

TO ENABLE electric heat to be applied to fluids handled in ducts, at the same time

Driving unit of improved Transporter



reducing duct resistance, Industrial Chamberheat Laboratorics, 2103 Center St., West Roxbury, Mass., has developed the Turvane clectric heating unit. The method of use consists in building electrically heated turning vanes into an elbow of the duct system. Heat is imparted to the fluid as it is wiped over the turning vanes, thus resulting in efficient heat transfer, at the same time reducing pressure loss at the duct corner by the vane action of the heating elements. Various heating capacities are available from 15,000 to over 1,000,000 B.t.u. per hr.

Low cost for a continuous indicating, direct-reading pH meter is claimed for a new instrument introduced by Pfaltz & Bauer, Inc., Empire State Bldg., New York, N. Y. The instrument is line-operated, re-. quiring no dry cell batteries. The accuracy claimed is 0.1 pH, and the sensitivity, 0.5 pH. Certain adjustments are eliminated by the direct reading feature and frequent buffer standardizations are also eliminated. A variety of electrodes can be used.

CAST MAGNESIUM alloy is used in the construction of a new general-purpose hand truck so light that a child can carry it. Weighing only 26.6 lb., the Zephyr hand truck made by Magnalux Manufacturing Co., 321 East 4th St., Los Angeles 13, Calif., is equipped with ball bearing wheels, Zerk lubricated, with a molded-on rubber thread. Rust-proofed steel is used for the nose.

A SIMPLE method of lighting the tubes of rotameters has been announced by Schutte & Koerting Co., 12th and Thompson Sts., Philadelphia 22, Pa. The device is a baked enamel metal back hood with a narrow frontal opening that fits against the back of the rotameter tube and directs a beam of light through the glass toward the operator.

PRECISION of a 12 in. slide rule, combined with pocket-size convenience, is claimed for the  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in. diameter circular slide rule introduced by American Hydromath Co., 145 West 57th St., New York, N. Y., under the name of Calculaide. The most used scales are located close to the edge. The rule carries the usual C and D scales, plus a log-log scale suitable for the solution of many engineering problems. The latter, ranging from 1.01 to 100, forms three turns of an inner spiral. Non-flammable plastics are used.

### Flareless fitting for tubing



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# PHTHALIC ANHYDRIDE From ORTHO-XYLENE

For almost three decades, phthalic anhydride has been produced commercially from naphthalenc derived from coking operations. The first plant to beome independent of the byproduct coke oven industry for its source of raw material is the new unit operated for Oronite Chemical Co. by Standard Oil Co. of California at Richmond, Calif. This plant began commercial operations in the spring of 1946.

Raw materials for the Oronite plant is orthoxylene supplied by the hydroformer unit in the adjacent refinery of Standard of California. The xylene feed is pumped from storage tanks into the converters after being vaporized and mixed with preheated air. Rate of feed, temperature and air ratio are carefully controlled so as to give optimum yields and to prevent a condition of uncontrolled oxidation that might result from an over-rich xylene feed. In actual operations, about 10 times the theoretical air requirements are used to avoid operating within explosive limits.

In the converters, the air-xylene vapors pass through bundles of tubes filled with a  $V_aO_b$ -base catalyst where oxidation to phthalic anhydride takes place at a relatively high temperature. The period of contact with the catalyst is less than one second. The heat of reaction, considerably higher than theoretical because of side reactions, is removed by circulation of molten salt outside the tubes.

The reacted vapor mass leaves the bottom of the converters and is pulled through vertical heat exchangers to cool the phthalic anhydride vapors. The gases then go through a series of box-like compartments where the crystals of phthalic anhydride collect and are periodically dumped. These crude crystals are melted in an underground tank heated by steam coils. The spent gases from the tops of the condensers are burned in stack furnaces so as to eliminate any fume nuisance.

Molten anhydride is pumped from the melt tank to a primary still. Heart cut from this column goes to a secondary still heated with 450-lb. steam and provided with a fractionating column. The purified, distilled product goes to an aluminum storage tank blanketed with inert gas. From here it is fed to a water-cooled chilling machine which solidifies the product and chips it off into the proper physical form. The phthalic anhydride product is automatically weighed into bags and stored for shipment. The Oronite product analyzes 99.7 percent minimum phthalic anhydride.

For a more detailed description of this process, refer to the article on pp. 116-119 of this issue.

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Intake filters and centrifugal compressors which supply air to the converters for oxidizing the ortho-xylene



2 This muffle-type gas burner is used for preheating the air feed; spent gases from this burner join the air stream

3 Battery of gear pumps feeds liquid ortho-xylene into vaporizers, after which it is fed with air into converters



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4 Converter accessories includes molten salt cooler and circulation system

5 Overhead lines feed vaporized orthoxylene and air mixture to converter



6 Control room where flow of air and xylene, catalyst mass temperature and other variables are regulated to give naximum yields and prevent uncontrolled oxidation











10 Spent gases from condensers are burned in furnaces to eliminate fume



11 Distillation set-up for purifying crude melt, primary still at left



12 Finishing still with column which receives heart cut from primary still



- - 13 Molten anhydride is pumped to aluminum storage tank

he converters; on the extreme right are the vapor coolers

9 Crystals of crude phthalic anhydride are dumped periodically from condenser boxes into carts

14 Molten anhydride is fed to two stainless steel, water-cooled chilling machines; at this stage product looks like soap chips

15 Autoreighing and packaging of the final product into paper ball. b. capacity



16 The final product is a uniform, white granular material that analyzes 99.7+ percent minimum phthalic anhydride

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which are located the condenser boxes, tall structures in background

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# NEW PRODUCTS AND MATERIALS-

R. W. PORTER, Assistant Editor

### FISH NET PRESERVATIVE

A PLASTIC-BASE fish net preservative dip that is easy to use, dries quickly and increases the net's strength by approximately 10 percent has recently been announced as commercially available by General Plastics Manufacturing Co., Tacoma, Wash. In ad-dition, the new fish net dip, known as Dura-Nett, is claimed to increase the net's abrasion resistance threefold, afford excel-lent resistance to fungi growths, and pro-vide protection from the harmful rays of the sun. Designed primarily to provide Pacific Northwest fishermen relief from the cconomic losses resulting from the high deterioration rate of fish nets, the new plasticbase dip is claimed to increase the average life of nets under normal exposure conditions by at least one season. Nets treated will be neither greasy or sticky, and there-fore will not foul rollers or winches and will not be dirty to handle. Application is made in a similar manner to other such cold dips. Complete immersion is required, with the weight of the web being the de-termining factor for the immersion time. This should vary from a few seconds to one or two minutes. After dipping, the surplus plastic solution should be wrung off or drained before the net is laid out to dry. Depending upon drying conditions, the nets treated with Dura-Nett will be dry within 5-10 hr. The nets may be used 24 hr. after drving. It is claimed that no other preservative will enable nets to be used so soon after treating. The idea of such a fish net preservative came to General Plastics Mfg. Co. after a similar product had been used for over 5 years as a preservative of canvas, rope and cotton-jacketed fire hose. Dura-Nett I is formulated for drag nets and trawls that get hardest wear, while Dura-Nett II is recommended for seines. Dura-Flex I, dark green in color, is very flexible and is recommended for gill nets; Dura-Flex II, brown in color, is recommended specifically for gill nets used in very cold water. Compared with other treatments, this material is claimed to be far less flammable.

### ZINC STEARATE WATER DISPERSION

RECENTLY announced by the Beacon Co., 97 Bickford St., Boston 30, Mass., Aquazine consists of zine stearate dispersed in water and is claimed to have advantages to users of zine stearate. This dispersion takes place with the aid of a wetting agent which volatilizes at or below the temperature of boiling water. Uses of zine stearate are expected to be broadened because of its water dispersibility. Aquazine can be used to advantage in the manufacture of cement, neoprene, adhesives, coated paper, butyl rubber, and all types of rubber latex. It is claimed to offer a convenient method of applying zine stearate to molded goods. Aquazine can be diluted with water and sprayed on molded goods before curing. It is claimed to have an advantage over the use of powdered zine stearate since there is no dust, fire hazard, and other difficulties usually experienced with the powdered material. It is said to be economical to use because it can be applied uniformly and with very little loss.

### LIQUID UREA RESIN GLUE

MARKETED under the brand name of Casco-Resin 135 by the Casein Co. of America, Division of the Borden Co., 350 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y., a new type liquid urca resin glue is claimed to be valuable as a replacement for the currently short animal and casein glues. This new product is a craze resistant joint glue, especially made for edge glueing, assembly and dowel work. Casco Resin 135 is a free flowing liquid resin of the urea-formalde-hyde type, casy to handle and use. It was developed primarily for cold glucing at room temperature. Setting or curing of the adhesive is accomplished by the addition of a catalyst. It is compounded to minimize the crazing tendency of urea resin, and it provides a more durable bond than conventional adhesives. It is also claimed to make an excellent bond on certain woods that are not easily glued with urea resin. It is suitable for low pressure gluing and in bonding of imperfectly fitted joints and general assembly work. Resulting glue lines even in measurable thicknesses are claimed to be craze resistant, water resistant, mold or fungi resistant, and on most species of wood the glue-line strength exceeds the strength of the wood. It is now commercially available in 1 and 5 gal. cans and in 30 and 55 gal drums.

### **TEXTILE CHEMICALS**

THREE new wool treating chemicals have been recently announced by the Textile Chemical Div. of the Dexter Chemical Corp., New York, N. Y. A sodium salt of an alkyl naphthalene sulphonic acid, under the brand name of Dexolene is a wetting out agent particularly useful in acid conditions which are encountered in wool processing. It is furnished in liquid form and is readily soluble in water at all concentrations and is claimed to speed production and improve the handle of finished goods. In woolen mills it is recommended in the following operations: carbonizing, dyeing, fulling, and bleaching. In carbonizing of wool Dexolene, a penetrant which is stable in the strength of acid used in the carbonizing bath, effectively wets out the cloth and carries the acid into the

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burns and vegetable matter to be burned out. Tests have shown that vegetable matter is saturated with more acid where Dexolene is present, than where acid alone is used. By use of this chemical, goods are claimed to be more readily neutralized requiring less time and lower concentrations of acid.

Another new product is a protective agent and dyeing oil for wool and is designated as Maxitol No. 10. This is a highly sulphated oil which promotes level dyeing of wool and assists in penetration and protects the fiber in dyeing, bleaching, drying and after use. Maxitol No. 10 possesses the property of lowering the surface tension of the dye bath and affording protection to the wool fiber. It forms a stable compound with the basic groups of wool substances, forming a thin film of oil which cannot be rinsed off due to the fact that it is bound chemically to the wool. This is claimed to protect the fibers during mechanical treatment. It is claimed that wool dyed with the addition of Maxitol No. 10 is not as susceptible to injury from high drying temperatures as ordinary wool. The third wool treating chemical is a

The third wool treating chemical is a scouring, emulsifying, dye dispersing and wetting out agent known as Oridex D. Oridex D is a smooth, cream colored paste consisting of synthetic detergents of the sulphated amide condensation type. It is resistant to hard water, acid, alkalis and salts and is readily soluble in water at 120 to 125 deg. F. This scouring agent is used in stock solutions of 5 to 20 percent pre-

pared with boiling water. They are then diluted as required for use. It does not hydrolize to give an alkaline reaction and may thus be used on delicate shades where alkaline conditions must be avoided. If any of this material is left on the fabric or fiber it will not turn rancid nor develop any objectionable odor or color regardless of length of storage of the goods. It is claimed to be sufficiently stable to be used in solutions of oxidizing agents such as peroxide, bichromate, etc. Oridex D is claimed to have a wider application than soap because its efficiency is not impaired by hard water or acid conditions. It facilitates easy rinsing and can be removed from the fabric easier than soap.

### WASHING COMPOUND FOR PAPER MILL FELTS

DEVELOPED during the war but unavailable because of raw material shortages, a new felt washing compound known as Syntergent K is now available from the Paper Chemicals Div. of National Oil Products Co., Harrison, N. J. This material is a light amber colored liquid which is less acid than a number of other felt washing compounds such as soda ash or trisodium phosphate. It is mild in its action and has no detrimental effects on felt, yet keeps them clean. Syntergent is claimed to bring about substantial reductions in clothing costs on paper making machines. It is one of the few cation active detergents used for this purpose.

### ALL PURPOSE PLASTIC SEALING COMPOUND

AVAILABLE to certain industrial users for some time, a plastic sealing compound un-der the brand name of Cauxeal is now being on the general market by X-Pando Corp., 43-15 36th St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. Cauxeal consists of asbestos fiber with a small amount of mineral filler together with a vehicle composed of a mixture of mineral hydrocarbons and a small amount of non-drying vegetable oil. It is claimed to render joints or cracks watertight, fume-proof and acid and alkali-resistant. It retains its plasticity indefinitely and can be worked and shaped with case. It will bond firmly to practically any material, expanding and contracting with the surface to which it adheres, thus maintaining the bond indefinitely. In application it does not stick to the hands or drag on tools. It is necessary to have the surface thoroughly clean and free from dust and other foreign material before Cauxeal is applied. Fur-nished ready for use in 1 and 5 lb. con-tainers, it has been used and tested for scaling against water, fumes and air in electrical conduits or ducts of metal, tile or fiber, as well as soil pipe and glass block. It is suggested for use as a glazing or caulking compound in such appli-cations as setting plumbing fixtures, set-ting sink strainers, for filling cracks and openings in solid walls, for caulking around window or door openings, and for sealing wood joints of all kinds. It may be used for expansion or other structural joints,

for laying or pointing tile, for cracks in floors under permanently wet or damp conditions and for other miscellaneous industrial uses.

### SYNTHETIC LOW TEMPERATURE GREASE

DEMONSTRATING a wide range of operating temperatures, a new synthetic low temperature grease has been recently announced by the Texas Co., 135 E. 42nd St., New York, N. Y. Under the brand name of Texaco Uni-Temp Grease, this lubricant will be used in various types of control bearings, actuators, propeller governors, aircraft instruments, aerial cameras, and fly-power motors used in radar equipment. It was developed for applications wherever extremely low temperatures are encountered and where satisfactory performance for short periods at temperatures as high as 300 deg. F. are also required. In the temperature range of —100 deg. C. to +300 deg. F. Uni-Temp grease does not lose its fundamental lubricating characteristics.

mental lubricating characteristics. Uni-Temp is a lithium base grease in which a synthetic compound is employed as the oil constituent. It is light tan in



Uni-Temp withstands temperature extremes and retains its characteristics

color and has a texture resembling that of butter. Some forms of this new grease contain rust inhibitors for use where excessive moisture or salt sprays may be encountered. In the ASTM worker it showed no change in penetration even after 100.000 strokes, giving assurance that it will not break down and become a liquid which might leak out of bearings, gear boxes, etc.

### RUBBERLIKE THERMOPLASTIC MATERIAL

AN IMPROVED variation of Duroflex has been developed by the Duorite Plastic Industries, Culver City, Calif. It is claimed to be better than the original Duraflex (recently described in these columns) because it has a longer life and because it can be melted and poured over plaster. Duroplex is a soft, smooth surfaced, green colored material similar to rubber (it cannot be vulcanized) which is used for making molds in which other plastics, cements, wax, plaster, and related materials can be cast. Plastic molds are desirable because they can be stretched and may be used to cast objects with back-drafts and undercuts. Materials such as rubber are not desirable because they vulcanize and harden too readily. The new Duroflex can be poured over plaster for the purpose of making molds because it has no adhesive properties and does not cause bits of plaster to adhere to the mold. It can be applied even when the plaster model is not completely dry. Duraflex molds may be remelted and reused.

### LOW TEMPERATURE SILVER BRAZING ALLOY

Two New silver brazing alloys have recently been announced by Handy & Har-mon, 82 Fulton St., New York 7, N. Y. Featuring low silver content these alloys are expected to find wide use due to the increasing price of silver. Under the brand name of Easy-Flo 45 and Easy-Flo 35, these new brazing materials have the advantage of alloys with higher silver content but, due to less silver in composition, provide an economy to help offset the increased price of silver. Easy-Flo 45 is a 45 percent silver alloy. It also contains copper, zinc and cadmium. It has a low melting range, namely 1.120 deg. F. to 1,145 deg. F., pro-ducing joints between ferrous, non-ferrous and dissimilar metals which are strong, ductile and leaktight. Easy-Flo 35 with a 35 percent silver content has characteristics quite different from the 45 percent allov. The function of the first percent anoy. It has a wider melting range of 1,115 deg. F. to 1,295 deg. F. and is free flowing at an exceptionally low temperature for an alloy containing only 35 percent silver. It produces joints which are high in strength and ductility and may be used in places where a higher working temperature than can be obtained with Easy-Flo 45 is not objectionable.

### PLASTIC PLUGS FOR OIL WELLS

DEVELOPED to prevent gas infiltration in producing oil wells, a plastic sealing compound is now commercially available. The plastic, a Resinox phenolic resin has been used to seal welds against intrusion of natural gas by the Monsanto Chemical Co., St. Louis, Mo., and Oil Well Chemical Service Co., Fort Worth, Tex. After extensive tests in the west Texas area, it is claimed that this development will return the average well to its normal production after its allowable output has dropped because of the infiltration of natural gas. Unlike cement, which is made up of solids held in suspension, the resin is introduced into the shaft as a true liquid which permits maximum penetration and hardens after it permeates the porous rock through which the gases are filtering. Application of this sealing compound to a well can be completed in about 36 hours.

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DEVELOPMENT of a new brass corrosion inhibitor has been announced by Dr. Johan Bjorksten, Industrial Research Chemist, 185 North Wabash Ave., Chicago 1, Ill. Under the brand name of Brass Lyfe, this material is now being manufactured on a commercial scale by the Bee Chemical Co., 63 East Lake St., Chicago, Ill. Consisting of a 10 percent solution of the active agent in butyl cellosolve it is effective only on copper and copper alloys. It is miscible with and may be added to oils, lubricants and lactuers and will stop various types of corrosion.



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### DUPONT CHANGES RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION SETUP

A PARTIAL reorganization of the research and administrative activities of the chemical department of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. was made during July. The changes affect the laboratories at the Experimental Station, near Wilmington, where research activities of the chemical department and several other departments of the company are carried out. Dr. A. P. Tanberg has been appointed administrative director, and Dr. M. M. Brubaker, laboratory director. Both men will report to Dr. Cole Coolidge, assistant director of the chemical department. Dr. P. L. Salsberg has been made general assistant laboratory director reporting to Dr. Brubaker, and Dr. D. M. McQueen, an assistant laboratory director, reporting to Dr. Salzberg. J. A. Grady has been appointed plant manager, reporting to Dr. Tanberg. Dr. H. W. Gray has been appointed research supervisor, reporting to Dr. Paul R. Austin.

### OIL CHEMISTS TO DISCUSS INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS

MORE than one thousand chemists from the laboratories of the oil industry and the nation's technical schools will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the petroleum division of the American Chemical Society at Chicago during the week of September 9. Numerous addresses dealing with the problems of the industry will be delivered at sessions to be held in connection with the 110th meeting of the ACS. Bruce K. Brown, of Chicago, general manager of research and development of the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, will speak on "Petroleum From 1921 to 1971," at a dinner on Tuesday evening, September 10.

## CELANESE ANNOUNCES NEW PLASTIC TRADE NAME

IN ORDER to simplify the identification of the large number of cellulosic plastics, Celanese Plastic Corp. announced that their ethyl cellulose materials are now known as Celeon. Increasing diversification of formulations of each member of the Celanese family has made it necessary that separate names be applied to each chemical group to minimize the chances of error throughout the plastics mdustry. Celeon was formerly known by the name of Lumarith EC.

### SHELL CHEMICAL BUILDS PLANTS AT HOUSTON

FIRST commercial production of glycerin epichlorohydrin, a petroleum-derived chemical expected to be used widely in manufacturing plastics, fumigants and industrial solvents, will begin soon. At an estimated cost of \$3,000,000, the Shell Chemical Corp. is building new plants at Houston, Tex., for the initial production of the new chemical and for increasing its output of isopropyl alcohol by a total of 100 million pounds per year.

100 million pounds per year. The Fluor Corp. is building the epichlorohydrin plant and C. F. Braun & Co. is the contractor for the isopropyl alcoholacetone extension. These three chemicals are all derived from propylene gas.

### CPA APPROVES DIAMOND ALKALI TEXAS PLANT

DIAMOND ALKALI Co. has received the approval of the Civilian Production Administration to construct a \$5,750,000 electrochemical plant at Houston, Tex, for the manufacture of chlorine, caustic soda and muriatic acid. Construction at the newly purchased 280-acre plant site will begin soon.

The new plant will include eight buildings, covering about 40 acres. The buildings will be constructed of steel with cement asbestos roofing and siding. Normal conditions would require 18 months for completion of the project, but present-day delivery conditions may alter these plans. The new Houston plant is expected to employ 200 persons for its initial operation.

### AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY STREAMLINES ORGANIZATION

On July 31 the business of the American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp., a subsidiary, was consolidated with that of the parent company, American Cyanamid Co. This action is in line with the general plan for the simplification of the corporate structure of the Cyanamid organization. Henceforth, the business of the American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp. will be operated as the industrial chemical division of American Cyanamid Co.

A similar consolidation is planned with regard to Lederle Laboratories, Inc., Pearl River, N. Y. This consolidation is expected to become effective in the near future.

### FOURTH NATIONAL CHEMICAL EXPOSITION IN CHICAGO

FOR THE week of September 10-14 the Fourth National Chemical Exposition will present the displays of approximately 200 exhibitors. The exposition, which deals with plant and laboratory equipment and chemicals, is sponsored by the Chicago section of the ACS and will coincide with the national meeting of the society.

### AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY TO MEET IN SEPTEMBER

EIGHTEEN committees have been appointed by the Chicago Section of the American Chemical Society to aid in organizing the society's 110th national meeting, which will be held in Chicago September 9 to 13. Dr. Fred C. Koch, director of biochemical research at the Armour Laboratories, is general chairman of the meeting. Five vice chairman will assist Dr. Koch in directing the various committees' preparations for the sessions, at which more than 8,000 chemists, chemical engineers and industrialists will participate in discussions of advances in virtually every major field of chemical science and industry.

field of chemical science and industry. Prof. Frank T. Cucker, Jr. of Northwestern University will supervise the work of the reception committee and committees on group meals, the convention's evening assembly, and women chemists. Dr. Walter

Sketch of the new glycol plant of the Wyandotte Chemical Corp. now under construction at Wyandotte, Mich. It is part of a \$25,000,000 expansion program and is scheduled to begin production in the spring of 1947. It will utilize a process not now in operation





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### **U. S. GRANTS BUILDING AID TO TOLEDO UNIVERSITY**

AN ADVANCE of \$17,300 was granted to the University of Toledo by the Federal Works Agency in Washington in July for planning a \$369,000 chemical research building. Request for the funds was made early this spring, in line with the expansion of the university's new Research Foundation.

Although money for construction has not been appropriated by the university board of directors, preliminary plans have already been prepared for the structure. Dr. Archie Solberg, head of the Research Foundation, said the new building probably will house chemical and engineering labora-tories of the University Science Depart-ment, as well as facilities for industrial re-search for Toledo area firms. The structure will be self-supporting inasmuch as indus-tries employing aid of the Research Foundation pay for projects done for them. Fortyfive research projects have been carried out since the foundation was organized in January 1945.

### **INORGANIC SOLIDS RESEARCH** PROJECT AT NORTHWESTERN

NORTHWESTERN University has established an inorganic solids research project in the department of chemistry. The proj-ect will be directed by Prof. P. W. Selwood. The work will be a fundamental study of inorganic solids such as manganese dioxide and related compounds. Particular attention will be paid to oxides of the transition group elements. These solids are of interest to the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory in connection with the manufacture and properties of dry cells and other types of batteries.

The project will concern itself with the preparation of pure inorganic solids, the accurate characterization of these substances as to physical and chemical proper-ties, and the behavior of such substances in catalytic and electrochemical changes. Heavy reliance is expected to be placed on the method of susceptibility isotherms re-cently discovered by Professor Selwood as one of the powerful tools at the disposal of the chemist interested in the structure of catalytically active solids.

### MONSANTO LEASES CWS PLANT FOR PEACETIME PRODUCTION

MONSANTO Chemical Co. has leased the government-owned chemical warfare service plant at Monsanto, Ill., for the manufacture of a series of peacetime products. One million dollars will be spent on alterations and additions to the plant, where an es-timated several hundred workers will be employed in the manufacture of products which have been under research study or process development. The lease specifies that the company will keep the plant equipment intact and will ready the plant for wartime operation in case of a national emergency. The plant was constructed early in World War II and was operated by Monsanto for the Army throughout the war.

### PITTSBURGH CORNING CORP. WILL BUILD TWO PLANTS

THE Pittsburgh Corning Corp. has an-nounced plans to build two plants at Sedalia, Missouri, for the production of glass block and Foamglas, a cellular glass insulating ma-terial. Estimated cost of the expansion program is \$2,000,000, according to J. P. Staples, general manager for the concern. Preliminary survey work will be started at once by the building contractor, the H. K. Ferguson Co., on a 40-acre plant site located beyond the city limits on the west side of Sedalia. A plant for the production of glass block will be constructed first and facilities for Foamglas manufacture will be added as soon as building materials and equipment are available.

### ARMOUR ISSUES LICENSE FOR FATTY ACID PREPARATION

ARMOUR and Co. has issued a license to General Mills, Inc., granting General Mills rights under Armour patents to operate a fats and oils chemical plant for the production of fractionated fatty acids from animal, vegetable and marine oils. The fractionating processes will be used at the new chemical plant which General Mills plans to build at Kankakee, Ill. General Mills is the first firm to enter the new field under the Armour license.

These processes enable the separation into their component parts of the mixed fatty acids present in oils and fats. After being separated, the fatty acids are converted chemically into new products for which wide use has been found in the manufacture of alkyd resins and other protective coatings, natural and synthetic rubbers, soaps and synthetic detergents, lubricating greases, flotation agents and intermediates in the chemical industry.

### WESTINCHOUSE BROADENS **RESEARCH PROGRAM**

A BROAD program of research into nuclear physics and the problems associated with the conversion of atomic energy into a useful source of power for the peacetime world has been announced by scientists of the Westinghouse Research Laboratories. The program will be in the direct charge of Dr. W. E. Shoupp, manager of the electronics department, whose research into pure science before the war culminated in the co-discovery of photo-fission.

The first step in the new program is the modernization of the 65-ft. high atomsmasher at the East Pittsburgh laboratory. No basic changes are being made in the apparatus, but improvements worked out in the past few years will make the atomsmasher more efficient, easier to run, and more automatic in operation.

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### NEW PRINTING INK RESEARCH INSTITUTE ESTABLISHED

A TEN-POINT research program has been outlined for the National Printing Ink Research Institute being established at Lehigh University. Dr. Albert C. Zettlemoyer, associate professor of chemistry and chemical engineering, has been elected as Lehigh's lecturer for the project. I. M. Bernstein, formerly director of research for H. D. Roosen Co., Brooklyn, N. Y., has been named director of the Printing Ink Institute.

Employing the resources of the University's chemistry laboratories, the Institute will offer to industry and business the following general services: Basic and exploratory research, the training of technical men at the graduate level for employment by

### CONVENTION CALENDAR

- American Institute of Chemical Engineers, regional meeting, Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Calif., August 25-28.
- American Chemical Society, 110th meeting. Chicago, Ill., September 9-13.
- Fourth National Chemical Exposition. Coliseum, Chicago, Ill., September 10-14.
- Instrument Society of America, first national conference and exhibit, William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa., September 16-20.
- American Gas Association, annual convention and exhibit, Atlantic City, N. J., October 7-12.
- The Electrochemical Society, Inc., fall meeting. Hotel Royal York, Toronto Canada, October 16-19.
- Engineering Society of Western Pennsylvania, seventh annual water conference, Hotel William Penn., Pittsburgh, Pa., October 28-30.
- Federation of Paint and Varnish Production Clubs, annual convention and paint industries show, Hotel Claridge, Atlantic City, N. J., November 4-6.
- National Paint, Varnish & Lacquer Association, annual convention, Atlantic City. N. J., November 6-8.
- National Metal Exposition, Municipal Auditorium, Atlantic City, N. J., November 18-22.
- Seventeenth National Exposition of Power and Mechanical Engineering, Grand Central Palace, New York, N. Y., December 2-7.
- Seventh International Heating and Ventilating Exposition, Lakeside Hall, Cleveland, Ohio, January 27-31, 1947.
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### SHIPPING CONTAINER GROUP APPOINTS DIRECTOR

SHIPPING CONTAINER INSTITUTE has appointed Theodore J. Gross as managing director. The institute was recently formed by a number of leading fiber box manufacturers to provide a technical information center, and to conduct fundamental research in the field of fiber shipping containers. The program will be carried on by a staff of experts furnished by the industry.

The Institute will coordinate laboratory analyses of the various container materials and designs with field studies of largescale experimental shipments. The condition of fiber boxes after long rail hauls will be studied to determine causes of damage in transit and the corrective measures necessary to reduce damage to commodities shipped in fiber boxes. At the same time continuous studies will be made in the boxmakers' plants.

boxmakers' plants. The need for a technical center similar to that maintained by other major industries is shown by the increase in production of fabricated boards from 11 billion square feet in 1927 to an estimated 60 billion square feet for 1946. Membership in the Institute is open to all manufacturers of fiber shipping containers.

### NEW YORK COMMERCE OFFICE IN NEW QUARTERS

REGIONAL offices in New York of the United States Department of Commerce have been moved from 61 Broadway to the 60th floor in the Empire State Bldg., 350 Fifth Avenue. This change effects the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce and the Bureau of the Census.

### ASTM ANNUAL MEETING HELD IN BUFFALO

INTEREST in the American Society for Testing Materials' expanding work on specifications and tests for materials and methods of evaluating assemblies of these materials in various forms was shown by the fact that the total registration for the annual meeting held in Buffalo throughout the week beginning June 24 was 1,825. There were eight symposiums with tech-

There were eight symposiums with technical papers ranging in number from 4 to 15, covering a wide diversity of fields. The topics covered included: Symposiums on bearings, gas turbine materials, fatigue, spectroscopic light sources, oil procurement practices, testing parts and assemblies, pH measurements, atmospheric weathering of corrosion-resistant steels, and freezing and thawing tests of concrete. In addition to these symposiums there were other sessions devoted to effect of temperature on metals, cement and concrete, plastics, non-ferrous metals, bituminous materials, and others, 25 separate sessions being required to provide adequate time for all the papers and reports.

The new officers for the 1946-47 term are: Arthur W. Carpenter, president; R. L. Templin, vice-president; T. A. Boyd, vicepresident. The following men were elected

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Nineteenth Award of the Charles B. Dudley Medal was made to H. R. Copson, research chemist, International Nickel Co. for his paper on "A Theory of the Mechanism of Rusting of Low Alloys Steels in the Atmosphere."

### NEW ELECTROCHEMICAL PLANT BUILDING IN WEST TEXAS

CONSTRUCTION has started on a \$500,000 Frontier Chemical Co. electrochemical manufacturing plant at Denver City. It is scheduled to be completed and in operation October 15.

Products of the plant will be distributed in the oil pools of the Permian basin, for use in drilling for, and producing oil and gas. When the plant is in full production, it will produce 25 tons of concentrated hydrochloric acid and about 10 tons of caustic soda daily.

Officers of the new company are: Robert L. Wood, Robert Chiles, Jr., and Curtis W. Cannon. Cannon will be general manager of the plant. Wood and Chiles are owners of the Western Co., an oil field acidizing concern, with headquarters in Midland, Tex.

### CHICAGO CHEMISTS' CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

AT THE annual business meeting of the Chicago Chemists' Club, the following officers for the year 1946-47 were elected: president, J. K. Stewart; first vice president, L. G. VandeBogart; second vice president, Paul E. Wenaas; treasurer, Earl C. Leamon, and secretary, J. D. Ingle. W. Courtney Wilson, Paul Van Cleef, Lyle O. Hill and Herman Kerst, Jr., were elected trustees.

### ASME TO HOLD PETROLEUM INDUSTRY CONFERENCE

THE American Society of Mechanical Engineers has recently revived its interest in the mechanical engineering problems of the petroleum industry. Replacing the former petroleum division of the Society is the petroleum committee of the Process Industries Division which, going ahead actively, has arranged a program of more than 40 technical papers that will be presented at a National Conference on Petroleum Mechanical Engineering. The conference will be held at the Mayo Hotel, Tulsa, Okla., on Oct. 7-9, 1946.

### ENGINEERING COURSES GIVEN FOR FOOD PROCESSES

A SERIES of courses which signify the introduction of engineering methods and principles into the food products field will be offered at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn during the coming academic year. Courses in food manufacture and technology, technology of food flavors, colors and synthetic additives and technology of dairy products will be given in succeeding semesters. The courses will be taught by Dr. Morris B. Jacobs, senior chemist of the chemical laboratories of the New York City Department of Health who was appointed adjunct professor of chemistry in January 1946.

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Mead aluminum reduction plant of the Permanente Metals Corp. at Spokane, Wash., where the first Kaiser aluminum was produced last month. Annual capacity is 216 million pounds of aluminum ingot These 252 byproduct coke ovens of Columbia Steel Co. at Geneva, Utah, will become the West's largest producer of benzol and other coke-oven chemicals

### PACIFIC PROCESS INDUSTRIES

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### KAISER ALUMINUM PRODUCTION GETS UNDER WAY

PRODUCTION of aluminum got under way during July at the two Spokane, Wash., plants of Permanente Metals Corp., according to a recent announcement of the Kaiser organization. The Mead alumina reduction unit (see accompanying photograph) was ready for production by mid-July, approximately two weeks after the remelt furnaces and hot rolling facilities of the Trentwood mills got under way. Aluminum pig from Metal Reserve Corp. and scrap will be used to operate Trentwood until Mead's production is sufficient to supply the demands of the rolling mills. Permanente's alumina facilities at Baton Rouge, La., which will supply alumina to the Mead plant, will be in operation later this year. The Mead reduction plant has an annual

The Mead reduction plant has an annual capacity of 216 million pounds of aluminum ingot, while Baton Rouge can produce one billion pounds of alumina yearly. Trentwood, first of the three plants to start operations, has a capacity of 288 million pounds of finished aluminum plate, sheet and strip products a year. Built during the war, it is one of the largest and most modern rolling mills in the country. Spokane has now become the second largest aluminum center of the world, according to Norman L. Krey, works manager at the Mead plant.

Kaiser's two Spokane plants will make available some 80 million pounds of aluminum by the end of this year, stated the report. The schedule calls for 4 million pounds for July, 8 million in August, 12 million in September, 16 million in October and 20 millions each for November and December.

### GAS AND PETROLEUM USES INCREASE IN CALIFORNIA

DURING 1945 there were over 538,273,-900 M cu.ft. of natural gas, worth over \$35,362,300, produced and utilized (sold or used) in California, according to the California Division of Mines, San Francisco, compared with 467,743,200 M cu.ft. valued at \$31,797,400 in 1944. The 1945 output of utilized natural gas is the largest annual yield on record for this state.

Crude petroleum produced in California during 1945 amounted to 328,262,400 bbl. valued at \$342,756,700 at the well. This is the largest annual yield of crude oil ever reported in the state. The 1944 output was 311,717,800 bbl. The accompanying table shows California production of natural gas and crude petroleum since 1939.

#### California Production of Natural Gas and Crude Petroleum\*

Year	Matural Gas, M. Cu. Ft.	Crude Petroleum, Bbl.
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944	340,754,804 352,871,945 378,173,737 413,180,942 443,219,847 467,743,258	224,253,110 223,294,805 229,664,784 247,491,289 284,145,702 311,717,804 260,000

\* California Division of Mines, San Francisco.

#### TURLOCK CWS PLANT BOUGHT BY CHEMURGIC CORP

SALE of the chemical warfare plant in Turlock, Calif., to the Chemurgic Corp. of Richmond, Calif., for \$162,500 was announced during June by the War Assets Corp. During the war, the Turlock plant was leased and opcrated by the Day & Night Flare Corp. for the assembly and loading of incendiary animunition. The Turlock plant is situated on 154 acres of land and has 88,900 sq.ft. of combined building areas. The Chemurgic Corp., with a plant at

Richmond, expects to produce plastic specialty products, railroad fuses and torpedoes, and scientific pyrotechnics on the property. E. B. Luther is president of Chemurgic Corp. which, in addition to the above line of products, makes rodenticides and other specialty products. Comparent de line of products, makes

### UTAH'S GENEVA IMPORTANT TO CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES

WITH the approval of the Justice Dept. in June, the ultra-modern \$202,000,000 government-financed steel plant in Provo, Utah, has been sold to Columbia Steel Co., subsidiary of U.S. Steel Corp., which operated the plant under a government contract during the war. The Columbia bid involved: (1) Outright purchase of the plant for \$40,000,000 with \$5,000,000 payable immediately and the balance within 18-24 mo. when the remodeling of the plant is ex-pected to be completed; (2) obligation to spend \$18,600,000 for additional facilities at Geneva to produce some 386,000 tons yearly of hot-rolled coils; (3) proposal to con-struct at Pittsburg, Calif., a cold reduction mill at an estimated cost of \$25,000,000 for converting the above coils into sheet and tinplate; (4) payment of approximately \$7,-500,000 for the inventories at Geneva, Working capital has been estimated to be at least \$9,000,000, making a total estimated investment by U. S. Steel of \$100,000,000.

Columbia Steel Co. now operates mills in Torrance and Pittsburg, Calif., and at Ironton, Utah. The acquisition of Geneva gives this firm approximately 40 percent of the steel producing capacity of the West, which has increased from some 2,000,000 to about 4,600,000 ingot tons since 1938. The present output is produced in 57 openhearth furnaces and 5 electric furnaces.

Significance of Geneva's operations to the chemical and process equipment industries is widespread: (1) The 252 Koppers-Becker byproduct coke ovens (see accompanying table and illustration) will make Geneva the West's largest producer of henzol, ammonium sulphate and other vital chemicals derived from coking operations; (2) Geneva will stimulate consumption of pickling acid and the large number of other chemicals used in steel producing and finishing operations; (3) the proposal by U. S. Steel to use

Coke Ovens Located in the West and Their Capacities<sup>1</sup>

	Byproduct Ovens			
		Number	Capacity, Tons	Pig Iron, Net Tons
Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp. Columbia Steel Co. <sup>2</sup> Columbia Steel Co. <sup>3</sup> Kaiser Steel Co., Inc	Pueblo, Colo. Ironton. Utah Geneva, Utah Fontana, Calif.	192 56 252 90	675,000 209,500 1,094,000 340,000	750,000 300,000 1,150,000 400,000

<sup>1</sup> From "Western Steel Industry," J. R. Mahoney, Bur. of Econ. & Business Research, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, 1944. <sup>2</sup> Also has 500 beehive ovens at Columbia, Utah. <sup>2</sup> Ovens of the Koppers-Becker underjet type.





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Proposed developments at California Research Corp., Richmond, now getting under way. Drawing shows additions to the present laboratory and office buildings (left) and the new process laboratory and pilot plant building (right)

Geneva as a basing point for shipment of steel products and the greater availability of such products should stimulate the growth and independence of western steelconsuming equipment manufacturers; (4) the accelerated industrialization of Utah and the intermountain area will hasten greater exploitation of the area's basic heavy chemical raw materials, especially phosphates, salines and sulplur-bearing materials. A number of such moves are reported already to be planned or under way.

### FERROSILICON MAGNESIUM PLANT OFFERED FOR SALE

THE FERROSILICON magnesium plant at Manteca, Calif., operated during the war by Permanente Metals Corp., has been declared surplus and is now offered for sale or lease, according to War Assets Administration. San Francisco. The plant, designed to produce 10,800 tons of magnesium metal annually, was built at a cost to the government of \$6,230,000. It is in a fenced-in area of about 26 acres, which is part of a tract of 138 acres. Machinery and equipment include all items necessary for reducing and molding ingots. The two furnaces buildings, containing 64 gas-fired furnaces having a total of 1,024 special steel retorts 91 in. diameter by 10 ft. long, have a floor area of 258,832 sq.ft. Both low- and highvacuum pumps are included in the equip-ment. The ingot foundry, containing nine gas-fired melting furnaces, has 9,954 sq.ft. Raw material processing equipment includes facilities for handling, storage, mixing and briquetting calcined dolomite and ferrosilicon and for removal and collecting of dust from the rotary briquetting presses. The Manteca plant, one of the two ferro-

The Manteca plant, one of the two ferrosilicon magnesium units built in the West during the war, is not to be confused with the Permanente, Calif., carbothermic magnesium plant operated by Permanente Metals Corp. This latter unit, using a modified carbothermic reduction process, is scheduled to resume commercial operations within a few months.

#### CALIFORNIA RESEARCH EXPANDS FACILITIES AT RICHMOND

ALREADY expanded to many times its original size, the California Research Corp. is still growing and placing greater emphasis on petroleum research activities. As the research subsidiary of Standard Oil Co. of California, Cal Research is taking steps to enlarge its petroleum and petrochemical research facilities both at Richmond and at El Segundo, Calif. The expansion program has already begun at Richmond, the cost of which is reported to approach \$2, 000,000.

The Richmond projects include a new wing which will double the office and laboratory space of the present administration building. A new process laboratory and pilot plant building to cost more than \$1,-000,000 is in the design stage. This structure will centralize research facilities now housed in a number of smaller buildings. It is especially planned for the crection of non-permanent pilot plants and heavy equipment. New laboratories and office space will probably be built at El Segundo at a later date. H. G. Vesper is president of California Research Corp., while A. L. Lyman is director of the Richmond laboratories.

#### WESTERN FERTILIZER USAGE CONTINUES TO INCREASE

CONSUMPTION of all commercial-grade fertilizers in the 11 western states has increased from the 1935-1939 average of 274,-000 short tons to 678,000 tons during 1945, according to data released by the National

Fertilizer Consumption in the Western States, Short Tons \*

	Average 1935–1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
Montana	4.154	4.500	4.500	4.500	5 000	7 300	8 000
Idaho	5.185	7.000	7.000	9,600	11 000	20,000	30,000
Wyoming	1,522	2,100	1.700	2.000	2,000	2.500	3.000
Colorado	2,694	5.557	6.256	8.264	8.500	10.000	15 379
New Mexico	2,112	2,406	3.876	4,000	4.107	7.002	8.000
Arizona	6,279	6,902	9.787	10,000	15,126	21,600	29 453
Utah	1,990	3,050	2.800	2.000	3,500	7.000	6.026
Nevada	500	500	500	600	200	400	750
Washington	24,630	30,000	35,000	44,999	45.000	50.000	56.504
Oregon	18,260	19,500	20,000	21,895	27,000	36.000	37.434
California	209,123	216,990	265,043	301,145	300.368	418.306	483.591
Total	274.450	298.505	356 462	400 003	421 801	580 108	678 1374

• Based on tax tag sales, records of government officials or estimates as sold by commercial producers; does not include government direct distribution. National Fertilizer Association. f Government direct distribution for 1945 amounted to 28,945 tons, bringing the total consumption for the year to 707,082 tons.

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Fertilizer Association. This is a tonnage mcrease of 147.1 percent and compares with the national increase of 69.2 percent. During the same periods of comparison, the West increased its percentage of total national consumption of commercially-pro-duced fertilizers from 3.8 to 5.5 percent. The accompanying table shows the growth of fertilizer consumption in the West by states.

#### POTASH CONSUMPTION RISES IN WEST

CONSUMPTION of agricultural potash in the western states has increased from 8,800 short tons K2O during 1940 to about 15,600 tons for the fiscal year 1944-45, according to a study on consumption and future requirements of potash in American agri-culture made by J. W. Turrentine of the American Potash Institute. Table I shows figures for the individual western states over a period of years. Major production of potash in this country is by five plants, three of which are located in New Mexico with one in each of the states of California and Utah.

Although comparatively little is known on consumption of chemical potash salts, the same study states that some 5,400 short tons (K<sub>0</sub>O basis) of such salts of American origin were delivered in the West during the fiscal year 1944-45. California received 4,110 tons of 60 percent muriate and 42 tons of sulphate, while Nevada and Oregon received 785 and 560 tons, respectively, of 60 percent muriate.

### Table I-Consumption of Agricultural Potash in Western States1

	1935-39						
1	Average	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945*
Aris.	33	39	38	50	7 92	472	
Calif,	6,034	5,852	7,342	8.914	10.806	9.778	11.3454
Colo.	54	. 201	141	195	145	60	232
Idaho	81	8	15	146	264	180	212
Mont.	42	45	45	5	11	3	24
N. M.	7	5	20	4	23	22	2
Nev.	9	10	10	6	- 1	- 6	
Ore.	895	1,231	1,240	1,241	1,374	1,080	1.072
Utah	13	15	14	10	26	2	70
Wash.	1,444	1,445	1,540	3,158	2,326	1,750	2,674
Wyo.	10	0	0	0	6	2	
Tota l	8,622	8,851	10,405	13,729	15,074	13,355	15,631

<sup>1</sup> In short tons K<sub>3</sub>O. From study by J. W. Turrentine, American Potash Institute; Wash-ington, D. C. <sup>2</sup> As deliveries of agricultural potash salts of American origin for the period June-May, 1944-45. The total consists of 9,160 tons of 60 percent muriate, 50 tons of 50 per-cent muriate and 6,422 tons of sulphates. <sup>8</sup> Consisting of 5,166 tons of 60 percent muriate and 6,179 tons of sulphates.

### CARBON BLACK PLANT SOLD BY WAC

SALE of the partially completed carbon black plant at Eunice. N. M., to Chas. E. Johnson & Co. and Columbian Carbon Co. for \$750,000 has been announced by War Assets Corp. The unit, about 60 percent completed, cost the government about \$1,-400,000 and was scheduled to be operated by Chas. E. Johnson & Co. to produce carbon black by the channel process for the tire industry. Included in the property are 638 acres of land and 240 burner buildings.

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respectively. Both began operations during 1945. Other producers of carbon black in the

Other producers of carbon black in the West are Shell Chemical Corp. at Shell Point, Calif., and Great Lakes Carbon Corp. in Los Angeles. With the doubling of ammonia production facilities recently announced by Shell, this firm's output of carbon black should be correspondingly increased. The Shell plant produces hydrogen for ammonia synthesis, with carbon black as a byproduct, by the Pyzel process of thermal decomposition of natural gas.

### SULPHURIC ACID OUTPUT DECLINED SLIGHTLY

TOTAL new production of sulphuric acid in the 11 western states declined from 718, 000 tons (basis 100 percent  $H_sO_4$ ) for 1944 to 690,000 tons for 1945, according to recent data from the Bureau of the Census. These figures include data for government-owned plants which are operated by private interests and which served industrial uses; they do not include the output of plants owned by the government and operated in conjunction with ordnance works and arsenals. The western output was by 16 commercial plants, of which 14 use the contact process and two the chamber method (for a list of these producers, their processes and plant locations, see Chem. & Met., Sept. 1945, p. 166).

Western Production of Sulphuric Acid\*

	1939	1944	1945
New Production	376.423	718,120	690.446
Percentage of national pro- duction.	7.8	8.4	8.0
Consumed in producing plants.	36,611	94,583	56,3291
Number of producing plants		10	10

• As short tons of 100 percent H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. Does not include output from government-owned plants operated in conjunction with ordnance works and arsenals. From Bureau of the Census. † For January through September only.

### METER ASSOCIATION ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

At its annual meeting in June, the Southern California Meter Association, Los Angeles, clected Lee Cheever of Southern Counties Gas Co. as president to succeed Oil Co. Also elected was C. G. Cortelyou of General Petroleum Corp. as vice president, G. H. Forster, Jr., of The Texas Co. as secretary-treasurer and F. E. McAllister of Southern California Gas Co. as auditor. The Association, consisting of persons in southern California concerned with the eco-

The Association, consisting of persons in southern California concerned with the economical installation, servicing and calibration of fluid meters, instruments and controllers, has now grown to a membership of 329. Total new members accepted during the past fiscal year was 79.

### DDT TO BE PRODUCED IN NORTHWEST

FIRST plant for the commercial production of DDT west of the Rockies will be built at Portland, Ore., by Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. Co. of Washington, according to a recent announcement. The unit will be installed in conjunction with the new \$1,-000,000 caustic soda and chlorine plant now under construction on the Willamette River in Portland, where the firm is also

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expanding present facilities for producing sodium chlorate (Chem. & Met., July, 1946, p. 196). The company has also operated for many years a caustic soda and chlorine plant in Tacoma, Wash. The Portland DDT unit is expected to be in production within 12 months, according to the announcement. The company's other two technical DDT plants are located at Natrona, Pa., and Pittstown, N. J.

### CRUDE DISTILLATION UNIT FOR EL SEGUNDO REFINERY

PLANS for construction of a \$2,250,000 crude distillation unit at its El Segundo, Calif., refinery were announced during July by Standard Oil Co. of California, San Francisco. The project has received approval of CPA. The unit will have a capacity of approximately 30,000 bbl. daily, according to the release, and will handle the first step in distillation. With such modern processes, utilization of crude oil is being increased. Construction on the project is scheduled to begin in September, with completion set for early next ycar.

### SYNTHETIC ZEOLITE PRODUCER OPERATES IN ARIZONA

A SYNTHETIC zeolite known as Aridzone is now being produced by Arizona Minerals Corp., Yuma, Ariz., according to a recent report. Raw materials used in the plant include quartz mined on the company's property at Guila, 13 mi. east of Yuma, bauxite, caustic soda and soda ash. These are reacted, dissolved, mixed and concentrated by solar evaporation, then milled, washed and bagged for use in water purification. The plant employs approximately 15 men, and the firm has a branch office in Los Angeles. L. A. Piatt is general manager at Yuma.

### CERAMICS FIRM BEGINS HUGE EXPANSION

Now getting under way is the \$1,000,000 expansion program of Gladding, McBean & Co. to enlarge production facilities for fine china, carthenware, floor and wall tile, and pipe products at its Glendale, Calif., plant. According to F. B. Ortman, president, work is already under way on all the planned improvements in the program except the new and modern china unit, estimated to cost \$300,000, for which a building permit must first be obtained. The program now in progress includes modernization and expansion of the firm's earthenware and wall tile factory and the building of an additional kiln for the manufacture of pipe products. Orders for machinery and equipment have been placed, and the company expects the new facilities to be in operation before the end of the year.

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In addition to its large Glendale plant, Gladding, McBean & Co. operates 11 other plants in the West. Three of these are located in southern California, three in the San Francisco Bay region, four in the Pacific Northwest, and one in Utah. The latter plant is government owned.

#### MANY NEW CHEMICAL PLANTS NOW UNDER WAY

IN RECENT months, a number of new western chemical and chemical process plants have been announced, contracted for, or begun construction which have not been given news space in these columns. Some of the more important of these developments are mentioned in the following paragraphs.

Acetic Acid—A new unit to produce acetic acid, now ready to begin operations, has been built and will be operated by a subsidiary of Stuart Oxygen Co., San Francisco. The new plant, located in Portland, will synthesize from acetylene.

Petroleum Waxes—The new \$7,000,000 Triton lubricating oil plant recently announced by Union Oil Co. of California to be erected at the firm's refinery in Wilmington will substantially increase western production of petroleum-derived paraffin waxes. The firm now has a similar plant at Oleum, Calif.

Cement—Portland Cement Co., Portland, has obtained CPA approval to invest \$290,000 in construction of new buildings to expand cement output at Oswego. An additional \$580,000 will be spent on new equipment. Production will be raised to 3,000 bbl. daily.

Alcohol—According to one report, an industrial alcohol plant will be erected at Yakima or Ellensburg, Wash., by Robert Maloy of Mount Vernon. The plant, it was reported, would handle 100 tons daily of low-grade potatoes and would start operations at an early date.

Paint Products—Pacific Paint & Varnish Co., Berkeley, Calif., has let the contract for a \$120,000 paint resin and varnish plant in Berkeley.

Soda Ash—A major development to exploit the extensive trona deposits near Green River, Wyo., as a source of soda ash and possibly other chemicals has been begun by Westvaco Chlorine Products Corp. at a cost estimated at approximately 52,500,000. Sinking of a 1,500 ft. shaft has started. The trona deposits are on land leased from Union Pacific Railroad Co.

Potato Sirup—A new sirup plant, to use cull wheat or potatoes, is being established at Klamath Falls, Ore., according to H. P. Carstensen, master of the Washington State Grange. The entire sirup output is reported already contracted for to be used in manufacture of wines. This is the fifth Grange-sponsored chemurgic plant using cull wheat or potatoes in the states of Washington and Oregon.

Ammonium Sulphate—Pacific Northwest agriculture will soon be able to receive, according to reports, agriculture-grade ammonium sulphate from a new plant at Eugene, Ore. Both acid and ammonia will be shipped to the plant.

Gypsum Products-U. S. Gypsum Co., Los Angeles, has announced plans for a \$2,- 500,000 gypsum products plant at Plaster City, Calif. The firm's plant at Midland, Calif., which can convert 800 tons of gypsum daily into wallboard, is reported to be the largest of its kind in this country.

Research Laboratory—Contract has been awarded by American Potash & Chemical Corp. for construction of a research and chemical engineering laboratory at its Trona works. Specifications call for an expenditure of \$245,000.

Manganese Sulphate—Commercial production of manganese sulphate and other manganese chemicals is scheduled to begin in the immediate future by a firm located in southern California. This is believed to be the only commercial producer of these chemicals in the West.

Paint Products—E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., South San Francisco, has awarded contract for a \$40,000 factory addition as the first step in a larger program to more than double the capacity of this paint, lacquer and protective coatings plant. Pumps—Peerless Pump Div. of Food

Pumps—Peerless Pump Div. of Food Machinery Corp. plans to expand manufacturing space of its Los Angeles plant by about 23,000 sq.ft. This division also has a producing factory at Fresno.

Aromatic Chemicals—Felton Chemical Co., Los Angeles, has moved its factory location and obtained 12,000 sq.ft. of floor space in a new building for expanded production of essential and perfume oils, food flavorings and colorings, and aromatic chemicals.

Sheet Steel—The Scidelhuber Iron & Bronze Works of Seattle plans immediate construction of a steel rolling mill in Seattle at an investment of \$3,500,000 according to one report. Such a development would make steel more readily available for Northwest fabricators of equipment for the expanding process industries.

Roofing Materials—The Pioneer Div. of Flintkote Co. has announced plans for construction of a \$500,000 roof products manufacturing plant in Portland, Ore. Chlorine—It has now been made known

Chlorine—It has now been made known that the previously announced Portland expansion of Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. Co. of Washington (Chem. & Met. July, p. 196) will be for production of chlorine and caustic soda and for expanded output of sodium and potassium chlorates. The firm has also announced that DDT will be manufactured in Portland. Sheet Steel—Columbia Steel Co. has

Sheet Steel—Columbia Steel Co. has awarded contract for a \$6,000,000 expansion of facilities at its Pittsburg, Calif., mill. Included will be facilities for producing cold reduction sheet and tin plate.

Bitumens—A pilot plant is now being operated by Utah Chemical & Oil Co. at Vernal, Utah, to produce 50 bbl. daily of oil from bituminous sands of the region. The firm, according to reports, intends to remove resins from these low-sulphur hydrocarbons by selective solvents and then to process them further into several products.

Mercaptans—The mercaptan extraction and purification unit of Union Oil Co. of California at its Wilmington, Calif., refinery is now in commercial operations. Chief product is methyl mercaptan.

Polybutene—Facilities for production of polybutenes for Oronite Chemical Co. at the Richmond, Calif., refinery of Standard Oil Co. of California have recently been substantially increased.

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ENGLAND WILL INCREASE PURCHASES OF CHEMICAL EQUIPMENT AS RESULT OF UNITED STATES LOAN

#### Special Correspondence

**E**MPLOYMENT in the British chemical industry continues to rise, according to the latest Ministry of Labor statistics. More women who entered industrial work during the war are returning to their domestic duties, but the engagement of male workers more than offsets this drain on the labor force. Compared with prewar days, the chemical trades now have 40 percent more workers on their pay-rolls. No other industry can boast of such a progress rate, and there is no doubt that when the new plants now under construction or design enter the productive stage the chemical industry, which now employs close on 175,000 workers, will be even more important in the country's economic system.

Big gains over prewar figures also characterize the export trade of the chemical industry. In June most manufacturers suffered a slight decline of shipments owing to V-Day and Whitsun holidays, but July seems to have brought a recovery. In future it is expected that price advances will speed up the value expansion of chemical exports. In the home market, however, price increases are still effected only after careful consideration. When new fertilizer prices were announced by the Board of Trade, the rise in superphosphates was countered by slight cuts elsewhere. In general the price trend is distinctly upward, but as long as control is maintained over key products alterations are comparatively rare and normally the outcome of special circumstances.

There are of course factors which affect the prices of all chemicals, if in varying degree, such as the rise of the cost of coal fuel and rail transport. Enforced employment of men in the place of women and higher salaries for specialists and skilled men resulting from the shortage of key personnel also tend to raise the cost of all chemical processes. But these are partially offset by economies through full-capacity work and lower sales promotion expenditure. The market therefore only gradually reflects the rising tendency of basic cost elements. There is no authoritative index of British chemical prices which could be compared with quotations in the world market, but it seems that at the present stage British chemicals consumers abroad.

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repetition of the strain felt last winter. As in prewar days some of the biggest chemical works in Britain were leading consumers of otherwise unmarketable grades of coal and derivatives in surplus supply, the Ministry of Fuel and Power seems to have given a good deal of attention to possibilities of reducing the consumption of coal in general and the more popular grades in particular in chemical factories. Chemical proccesses are also studied with a view to the replacement of coal by fuel oil and oil residues and by electricity.

#### CHEMICALS FROM OIL

The trend away from high-grade coal towards substitute fuels is likely to encourage the supporters of an expansion of the British oil refining industry as the difficulties of disposing of refinery residues in the local market were one of the main arguments put forward in defence of continuing refining operations near the centers of oil production. Such an important oil producer and refiner of international format as the Shell combine still wishes to restrict oil refining in Britain mainly to high-grade products. The company is now moving towards the manufacture of high-grade chemical products in extensions of its big plants in the British Isles. In addition to the three big Shell refineries on the Thames, on the Manchester Ship Canal, and on the Clyde, there is a large manufacturing plant at Barton, near Manchester, which is devoted entirely to the manufacture of a comprehensive range of petroleum greases. While these Shell plants cover about 70

While these Shell plants cover about 70 percent of the lubricating oil production and bitumen requirements of the country, they have replaced most of the high-grade lubricants for which Germany used to have a near-monopoly in European production before the war. As other oil refiners are certainly no less active in the field of selective refining, it is hoped that this comparatively young industry, based as it is on a large and growing home market, will in future be the leading one in Europe, surpassing in importance even those in continental countries where the bulk of the motor spirit for local needs is refined on the spot.

The development of the high-grade lubricant industry owes much of course to the war which brought home to authorities and consumers the country's dependence on imports. The same stimulus was responsible for the work on indigenous sources of carbon black undertaken by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research during the war. Tar products and petroleum residues available in England were tested, and it is claimed that many improvements were discovered. Important consuming interests have insistently demanded a British carbon black production, but the Inter-Departmental Com-

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mittee set up by the government to study the question is now considering the possibility of developing the production of carbon black, especially of the channel and furnace types, from natural gas in the sterling area, from which fact it may be concluded that cconomical production possibilities are not believed to exist in the British Isles.

If it thus seems that currency considerations are still very important, there is, on the other hand, evidence that this factor does not override all other arguments. The "token imports" of U. S. and Canadian goods permitted by the Board of Trade include paints and varnishes, toilet preparations, and carbon electrodes. This concession soon will be followed by others, but the would-be exporter to the British market in North America should not forget that the opportunities opened by the loan to Britain are strictly limited. Under one quarter of the total sum is to be spent in the first year, and the bulk of this will be earmarked for food and engineering products needed for industrial re-equipment.

#### CHEMICAL IMPORTS

Moreover, the opportunities for dealings in chemical manufactures between highlyindustrialized countries like U. S. A. and Great Britain are chiefly limited to products for which one country either enjoys a substantial advantage in producing costs or depends on exports for the disposal of surplus byproducts. U. S. petroleum derivatives belong to the former and British coal-tar derivatives to the latter category. As far as the normal range of industrial chemicals is concerned, British manufacturers feel themselves well able to meet all reasonable demands from the home market.

As regards chemical products for which the British production is not sufficiently large to cover all domestic needs and at the same time to meet the foreign orders reaching them, the generally accepted view now seems to be that it is better to permit limited imports to satisfy part of the domestic demand than to concentrate the activities of British manufacturers entirely on the home market to the exclusion of all export opportunities. It is argued that complete neglect of the foreign business would make it impossible for British makers to re-enter foreign markets when they have again a surplus at their disposal, while supplementation of British production for the home market by importation will in any case be necessary if the urgent demands for the housing drive, in particular, are to be met.

While it thus seems that the passage of the U. S. loan for Britain through Congress will not result in an immediate expansion of the trade in ordinary chemicals, paint materials and other products in short supply will now be admitted more easily into Britain. Above all, chemical engineering products for equipment of new factories and extension and modernization of existing plants probably will soon be ordered in substantial amounts from U. S. firms, for British chemical plant manufacturers are unable to deal with all the large orders to be placed in the near future for early delivery. Not only is there a shortage of chemical plant producing capacity in England, but the supply of chemical engineers from the universites is also insufficient, so much so that the shortage of skilled plant designers threatens to develop into a serious bottleneck.

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#### Special Correspondence

THE South African Tung Oil Growers' Association estimates there are about 150,000 tung trees in the Union. The first seed arrived in 1923, and soon after trial plantings were made in the eastern Transvaal, in Swaziland and in Natal. The initial work proved difficult, for the number of trees increased slowly. The high prices quoted for the oil attracted the South African farmer, and in recent years the annual yield for the Union has been between 250 and 280 tons of oil. During the war demand was so keen that all the oil South Africa could produce had a ready market overseas, and since the war demand has remained good. The Union Government has a horticultural station at Nelspruit in the northern Transvaal, where tung oil research is carried out.

It is likely that in the near future this oil will be used in South Africa for making quick-drying paints, varnishes and enamel, waterproofing materials, linoleums, insulating compounds, quick-drying printers' ink, brake-lining, airplane covering and similar products. A tree in South Africa several years old has on occasion yielded up to 45 lb. of hulled seed, but this cannot be regarded as average.

The sprayings of DDT from aircraft in the Mkuzi game reserve in Zululand to eradicate tsetse fly has given promising results and experiments will be continued. After the third spraying copious rains created conditions unsuitable for the use of DDT, which is most effective when the grass is not long and there is not much toliage. The Department of Agriculture thus decided to postpone the fourth spraying until winter.

It was proposed in the South African Parliament that the government undertake the provision of oil from coal. Parliament has already vested the ownership of oil found in South Africa in the State, and it is now maintained that it should not matter whether the oil is in liquid form or impregnated in the molecules of coal—the State should get it out.

Tests for natural oil have so far proved disappointing and the possibility that gusher oil may be found, while it should not be wholly excluded, can only be regarded as remote. The South African Torbanite Co., usually known as SATMAR, is now producing 6,000,000 gal. of petrol annually and hopes to increase production to 12,000,000 gal. by the end of 1946, but the torbanite deposits are insufficient to render the Union self-supporting. According to figures given in the House of Assembly, a plant capable of producing 70,000,000 gal. of gasoline a year would cost £8,000,000. This quantity would be less than half the country's present imports, but would be a substantial contribution and would provide employment for about 1,000 Europeans and 6,000 non-Europeans. About 12,-

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000,000 tons of coal annually would be required to meet South Africa's needs.

It is being urged that the shore whaling stations in South Africa, closed many years ago, should be re-opened, but against the present high price of whale oil it is pointed out that not only would the maintenance and labor costs of such factories be too high, but the cost of the plant would be prohibitive. In any case there is little likelihood that the plant would be obtainable for a long time. There could be no question of establishing shore stations this year. Durban is able to operate a shore station economically mainly because its coal supplies are at the back door, whales can be caught almost the whole year round and the catchers are based next to the big repair shops.

next to the big repair shops. It is possible that a £50,000 factory will be opened in Durban to manufacture hydrolized protein on a large scale. Experiments by the chief tuberculosis officer in the Union have shown that the protein is excellent for treating tuberculosis and similar wasting diseases. It is regarded as marking a big advance in nutritional research. The Industrial Development Corp. is likely to assist with capital for the factory, but it will leave actual production to private enterprise. The plant would be large enough to supply all needs of the Union and also to export. It is said that a site has been selected for the new factory. So far such products have been obtained from the pilot plant opened in Durban some months ago, and then the substance proved of great value in treating tuberculosis.

#### DDT PRODUCTION

Supplies of DDT have become available in South Africa from the government factory at Klipfontein, North Rand, Transvaal. The recently erected plant has been producing continuously for several months, but government requirements for priority uses absorbed most of the output. Now a sufficient stock has been built up to ensure a regular supply of some compounds though it is expected demand will exceed supply for some months. At first three DDT insecticides were released for general use. These were a paraffin spraying solution, tale dusting powder and an emulsifiable liquid. Farmers have received priority in the supply of the emulsifiable liquid. The bulk of the available stock is being compounded into this type. A considerable proportion of the paraffin solution is being filled into large containers for farmers in dairies and cow-sheds and for large food-handling organizations. In addition, small containers are being filled for sale to the public.

Seaweed is becoming a commercial proposition along the Cape west coast. Agar-agar is being extracted by a Cape Town firm from half-tide scaweed gathered at Langebaan and elsewhere. Last year a Transvaal firm interested itself in a plan to build a sort of seaweed farm in which agar-agar weed could be grown under controlled conditions at Hout Bay. Now the Cape Divisional Council has been approached for a concession for cutting, harvesting and cultivating seaweed at various localities. The idea is to use the seaweed for making plastics, mostly for medical implements.

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An increasing number of American chemical and allied firms have appointed South African representatives and an increasing number of new American chemical lines are offered on the local market. At the same time there is strong demand for many of the older staple types of chemical.

Paints and varnishes are to be manufactured in South Africa by African Chemical & Explosives Industries, an associated company of Imperial Chemical Industries. It is also stated that the South African firm will undertake the manufacture of cyanide, leather cloth and a number of chemicals so as to develop local secondary industries.

#### NEW MATCH PLANT

Plant for the recently-established Capital Match Corp., is expected to reach South Africa before the end of the year, and production should begin within three months after it arrives, said the chairman at statutory meeting of the company. He said that the initial output would represent about 12 percent of the matches consumed in South Africa, a quality match equal to the best being aimed at. It was intended to obtain supplies from South African cardboard factories and to use locally-made paper and so far as possible chemicals made in the Union. Requests from other African territories indicated that there would be no difficulty in disposing of the company's products outside the borders of South Africa, if they felt it desirable to enter the export market.

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Although not yet working to full capacity, the new timber impregnation plant at Cape Town already is treating up to 4,000 cu. ft. of timber a day. The plant had been installed in agreement with Hickson's Timber Impregnation Co., which operated a similar plant in Johannesburg, and whose parent company in Britain manufactured Wol':an Salts—a preservative discovered by a German scientist. Wolman Tanalith, the particular brand of the salts used against beetle attack, has undergone service tests in many parts of the world, and proved effective. The Minister of Posts and Telegraphs said that the government's new timber impregnation plant at Bellville, Cape, would soon be in operation.

### CONDITIONS FAVORABLE FOR QUININE SUPPLIES

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650 tons in 1940. Area planted to cinchona trees declined from 36,062 acres in 1942 to 34,095 acres in 1945. In almost all cases, upkeep and maintenance of facilities was adequate. The Japanese started to build two plants for treatment of the bark and while they were not completed, they may be of considerable use when production on a large scale is resumed.

### PAPER MAKERS CHEMICALS NEEDED IN NETHERLANDS

PAPER manufacturers in the Netherlands are suffering because of a shortage in many types of chemicals. The Department of Commerce reports that stocks received from Germany during the occupation are nearing depletion and Germany has nothing further to offer. Salt cake used in making sulphate paper is in very short supply and sizing materials are badly needed. Some chlorine has been imported from Switzerland but supplies are inadequate. Dyes and pigments are being received from Switzerland and additional imports are expected from Czechoslovakia. A heavy demand exists for rosin from the United States as European sources are restricted.

### PALESTINE ENLARGES OUTPUT OF PLASTICS PRODUCTS

PALESTINE has given considerable attention to the expansion of its plastics industry which now includes nine plants manufacturing household articles, parts for telephone and electrical appliances, containers for cosmetics and pharmaceuticals, rims for sun glasses, fountain-pen parts, buttons, and musical instruments. Total annual production has a value of £100,000. Delays in the arrival of imported molding powders have been a serious obstacle to regular production. One factory evolved a molding powder from calcium cyanamide filled with sawdust or with dried, powdered orange peel.

#### LARGE SURPLUS STOCKS OF TUNG OIL POSSIBLE

TUNG oil, one of China's main exportable products, can be made available in Shanghai in large quantities for shipment abroad, according to an official of the China Vegetable Oil Co., which produced tung oil in factories at various parts of the country. It is estimated that an average of 2,000 tons of tung oil beyond the amount set aside for domestic consumption can be produced every month by the organization at one refinery at Wanhsien in Szechwan.

### CHILE WILL PRODUCE WHALE OIL FOR EXPORT TRADE

WITH the acquisition of new catchers, Chile's only whaling company is expected to produce a substantial surplus of whale oil for export in 1947. The Santiago Press reports that plans are under discussion for enlarging the scope of whaling operations. During 1945, 447 whales were caught with an oil yield of 3,456 metric tons as compared with 360 whales and 2,343 metric tons of oil in 1944. In January-March, 1946, 149 whales were caught. The entire

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Organization of Polymerization Information-This report is a composite of four different renots on visits made by American investigators under the sponsorship of the Rubber Subcom-mittee of Technical Industrial Intelligence Committee to the leading synthetic rubber plants in Germany: Schkopau, Leverkusen, Ludwigshafen, and Huls. It gives a summary of German research and development, and polymerization tech-niques. As early as 1926-1927 a great deal of research had been done in Germany of the polymerization of butadiene and isoprene in which the hydrocarbon was either mass polymerized or polymerized in latex emulsion. However, the efforts to duplicate the structure of natural rubber were unsuccessful. A turning point was reached when it was realized that it was not so reached when it was realized that it was not so important to synthesize natural rubber as to obtain cheaply and economically chemical sub-stances which, while unlike natural rubber in structure, would show similar or even better qualities than others more closely related chem-ically to the natural product. On this basis German research and production developed in general on lines similar to those in the United States and finally resulted in the mass production of a great number of more-or-less rubber-like elastomers meeting different specifications as to tensile strength, heat and oil resistance, etc. The report gives a historical background on the de-velopment of elastomer chemistry in Germany and then describes the techniques of the differ-ent synthetic rubber plants visited. It enumerates all substances which have been investigated or actually used in clastomer production such as the dienes, vinyl compounds, modifiers, and anti-oxidents. It finally contains a flowsheet of poly-merization. (R. F. Dunbrook and P. S. Greer, PB 13342; 1945; 58 p.; M. \$1; P. \$4.)

The Status of Synthetic Rubber Research and Polymer Evaluation—The report covers a survey of recent research studies in synthetic rubber in Germany and reflects the opinions of German scientists looking toward improvement of synthetic rubbers. This material is the result of interviews with representatives of the I. G. Farbenindustrie at Ludwigshaven, Huls and Leverkusen, and of the Continental Gummi Werke at Hannover. The most promising research leads that were discovered are the buna 4 development and Lugwigshaven and the Redax system of polymerization developed at Leverkusen. Exhibits appended to report include: (1.) The titration of the internal and terminal double bonds in polymers of butadiene and its homologues with perbenzoic acid. (I. G. Farben, Ludwigslafen. Translation). (2.) Definition of the K-value. (3.) The heat sensitization of bunalatex with legvin M-50. (I. G. Farben, Leverkusen). (4.) Preparation of buna solutions for viscosity measurements. (Translation). (5.) Leverkusen comparison of GR-S vs. German buna. (6.) Concerning fractionation of buna so-

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Iutions. (Translation). There is also a brief note by J. N. Street on experience with German built synthetic tires. (C. S. Marvel, PB 11193; 1945; 47 p.; M. 50¢; P. \$4.)

The Saccharification of Wood by the Bergius Process at Suddentschen Holzversucherung Werke A. G., Regensburg-Most of the wood received at this plant for saccharification by the Bergius process is in the form of small logs, about 6 ft. in length, and 6 to 8 in. in diameter. The wood is reduced to small chips in a crushing wood is feduced to small enjps in a clushing plant, and conveyed by cyclone to a revolving drum dryer, heated by waste flue gases. Wood chips with 5 percent moisture are fed into 4 batteries of acid diffusers. Each battery consists of the seven diffusers used in the complete operation of extracting the wood carbohydrates. The diffuser is a steel cylinder lined with bitumen, upon which has been superimposed two layers of acid-resisting tiles. The first diffuser is filled with a 28 to 30 percent concentration of cold hydrochloric acid. The extract is passed through the remaining six diffusers in series, and at the same time the acid concentration of 55 percent in the seventh diffuser. The extract from the seventh diffuser is returned to the first, and passed through the others in series. When it finally collects again in the seventh diffuser it is drawn off. The complete diffusion process takes 55 hr. The extract now contains 28 percent dissolved carbohydrate. Part is returned to circulation and part is conveyed to vacuum stills from which HCl in 40 percent concentration is re-covered at about 40 deg. C. At 60 percent solution of carbohydrates containing about 3 per-cent of HCl remains in the still. This solution is diluted with water to a carbohydrate concentration of 20 percent and the sugars are in-verted at 130 deg. C. Thereafter the system is neutralized with calcium hydroxide or ammonia and diluted to a sugar concentration (i.e., total reducing substances) of 3 percent. The yield of sugars by this process was stated to be 60 per-cent of the dry weight of the original wood. Manufacturing processes for producing yeast, yeast extract and yeast spice are described. The albumin containing preparations are made by ex-tracting the cellulose from the wood with muriatic acid. The muriatic acid is then re-moved from the wood sugar solution in a vacuum damping plant, and afterwards the product is neutralized and cleaned by active cold. The sugar in this cleaned wood sugar solution consists of about 70 percent dextrose, the remaining 30 percent consisting of xylose, arbinose, mannose and galactose. This sugar solution serves as the main food for the breeding of yeast, although the follow-ing food salts are also added: Diammonium-pliosphate, ammoniac, potassium chloride, magnesium sulphate. Utilization of the ligneous residue (lig-nin) left in the diffusers is discussed. It can be made into lignin briquettes or used as a manure' and soil improvement remedy, or in the manufacturing of medicinal coal. (W. G. Camp-bell and H. J. Bunker, PB 18897; Aug. 1945; 11 p.; M. 50¢; P. \$1.)

The Synthesis of Fluorine-Mica of the Phlogopite Group; Crystallochemical and Microsconic Investigations of Synthetic Phlogopites; and Regular Intergrowth of Synthetic Phlogopite With Hydrous Mica—This is a series of three reports on synthetic mica research by Dr. W. Eitel and co-workers of the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute for Silicate Research at Berlin-Dahlem and Ostheim Rhoen, Germany. A process for the production of synthetic mica on a laboratory scale was developed. In PB 20530 practical details involved in the synthesis are set forth. Potash-magnesia mica and barium mica were made in small crucibles. To produce well oriented crystals, particular importance was placed on well regulated temperatures, gradient in a vertical direction during the first of the cooling period and a magnetic field surrounding the crucible in a horizontal direction. In PB 20531, the basic crystallographic theories are discussed with complete descrip-



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Process for Manufacture of Hydrogen Peroxide-This is a microfilm of documents, graphs, drawings and correspondence in the development and amelioration of hydrogen peroxide, diesel oil and other fuels. All were considered by the Germans other rules. All were considered by the Germans as very secret. Among the papers dealing with hydrogen peroxide is the official paper granting a patent in 1941. However, there is also included the material leading to the patent development of the process beginning in 1935 and extending beyond the patent date of 1941 to 1944. Although the material is granted to 1. C. at Frankford most the patent is granted to I. G. at Frankfort, most work appears to have been done on hydrogen peroxide at Ludwigshafen under the direction of a Dr. Pfleiderer. The Renal distillation process is emphasized. The main body of the microfilm consists of reports of development of substitute fuels and the increasing of efficiency of established fuels. The Germans tested the combustibility of various fuels with which they mixed tetranitromethane in varying proportions. Directions and recommendations for transport and storage and propcrties of fuels were carried out and are reported. The work carried out by I. G. in their various fuels research investigations interested the Army, Navy and Air Forces and correspondence between I. G. and these army branches is also part of the film. There is also included a bibliography used by the investigators on certain phases of the research. (I. G. Farbenindustrie AKT.-GES., PB 16409; 1944; 264 p.; M. \$3.; enlargement print \$18.)

The Light Metals Industry in Germany—This guide prepared by the Foreign Economic Administration covers this subject under the following headings: I. Introduction; II. Development of the German aluminum industry; III. German penetration of the European aluminum industry; IV. Development of the German magnesium industry; V. Light metals alloy manufacture and fabrication; VI. Vartime controls over the German metal industry; VII. Organization of the German light metals industries; VIII. International organization of the light metals industries; IX. Recommendations. Appendix A, technology of manufacture and uses of the light metals; appendix B, electric energy sources of the German light metals industry; appendix C, light alloy manufacturers and fabricators; appendix D, leaders in the German light metals industry; appendix E, organization of the internation aluminum cartel. Tables of statistics and a map showing location of German controlled aluminum, alumina and magnesium plants are included. (U. S. War Department; PB 16948; May 1945; 138 p.; M. \$1.50; P. \$10.)

Possible Production of Protein Yeast From Wood Sugar in the U. S. Occupied Area in Austria as Proposed by Dr. Bergius and Also Other Possibilities—This report is concerned with various possible methods of producing protein yeast from wood sugar in the United States occupied area in Austria. American authorities had decided not to approve or sponsor such a plan but since it was realized that there was a possibility that the Austrian government might consider supporting some such plan it was decided to submit the material which was available on the subject. Three proposals are submitted with this report. The first proposal, made by Dr. Friedrich Bergius, proposed the use of the sulphite pulp and zellwolle factory, Lenzing, to produce wood sugar from sulphite pulp by means of the Bergius concentrated hydrochloric acid process and to convert this sugar into protein yeast. It also proposed to produce from the waste pulping liquors of the sulphite pulp mill, a product



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Production of Phosphate Fertilizer by Sintering of Phosphate Rock With Sodium Sulphate and Lignite—Production trials in a pilot-plant at the works of the Lurgi Gesellschaft, Frankfort a. Main, and agricultural trials of the subject fertilizer (known as "Lubeck" phosphate) had been made and were favorable, with one exception. The process had not been developed on a commercial scale, and the firm had not decided before the war whether to pursue it or not. The basis of the process is to burn a mixture of phosphate rock, sodium sulphate and brown coal in a reducing atmosphere. The nature of the reactions is not clear but the sulphate is reduced to sulphide sulphur, and this is apparently combined in a calcium sodium phosphate with partial replacement of oxygen by sulphur in the phosphorus pentoxide. The formula tentatively suggested is CaO.Na<sub>2</sub>O.P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.S<sub>6</sub> though the possibility that the sulphur may occur in the manner of apatite w ot xcluded. Tests indicated that neither calcium nor sodium sulphide were present in the product and that if sulphide aitphur was removed from the product by treatment with dilute satphuric acid the solubility of the plosphorus acid in ammonium citrate was much reduced. A report, No. 1597, Nov. 19, 1936, of the Technisches Sekretariat of the Metallgesellschaft, gives details of the experimental work carried out in the laboratory and in small experimental kilns. Extracts from this report on the decomposition of phosphate with sodium carbonate and carbon are presented in the appendix. (J. R. Haes and F. M. Lea, PB 18915; Aug. 1945; 13 p.; M. 50¢; P. S1.)

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For process work involving extreme high temperatures, it is possible to protect the rubber lining with an inner lining of acidproof brick. In such cases the operating temperature and the temperature gradient through the brick should be controlled so as to limit the maximum temperature at the face of the rubber to approximately 180 deg. F. There are numerous successful installations empolying this type of construction.

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do not exceed 200 deg. F. The fluorides normally present in the phosphate rock which is burned to produce the raw phosphate used in the industry represent a major source of trouble in connection with stainless steel. These fluorides must, therefore, be either fully neutralized or eliminated from the phosphoric acid before it can be processed successfully in stainless steel equipment. This precaution applies to all phases of phosphoric acid manufacture or use, whether it be in baking powder or in fertilizer. Another precaution which must be observed in phosphoric acid manufacture is that filtering agents such as charcoal or diatomaccous earth be confined to the filtering process and equipment. Experience shows that if even minute particles of such filtering agents pass the filter system they will tend to settle out on the sides or bottoms of subsequent equipment and through an apparently catalytic action on the oxide film cause corrosion underneath.

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tack, may be minimized by maintaining stainless steel surfaces in a scrupulously clean condition. A polish of at least No. 4 Finish facilitates cleaning operations. The degree of polish apparently plays an important part in maintaining a more uniform and contiguous oxide film on stainless steel and experience shows that such a surface is most resistant to corrosive attack by phosphoric acid and its products:

Type 316 stainless steel (16-18 percent Cr. 10-14 Ni, 1.75-2 Mo, and not more than 0.10 percent carbon) has been found to be most resistant to corrosive attack by phosphoric acid and has been used successfully for storing and manufacturing the C.P. product as well as certain non-C.P. grades in which the fluorine content has been controlled. Type 304 stainless (carbon held to 0.08 percent max., with 18-20 Cr, 8-10 Ni) has been found satisfactory, when polished. for storing 85 percent cold phosphoric acid or for handling concentrations up to 5 per-cent in various phases of the manufacturing processes. There are occasionally uses where the 321 or 347 stabilized grades may be applied. The ordinary Type 302 should not be used in any phosphoric application. In any application, moreover, the engineering, as well as the chemical and metallurgical aspects of the installation should be checked before using stainless steel.

Good engineering design is essential to the successful use of stainless steel in the phosphoric acid industry. Flanged and dished heads are always to be preferred over flat plate heads which involve corner or fillet welds. Where rectangular units are necessary, it is preferable to bend the plates so as to bring the welds out away from the corners so that they may be dressed and pol-ished to best advantage.

Fusion arc welding, normally with reversed polarity, under carefully controlled con-ditions to avoid porosity and inclusion of slag or oxide particles has been found acceptable for fabricating stainless steel units of various types for use with phosphoric acid. Coated electrodes of a composition such as to deposit weld metal equivalent to the stainless steel being fabricated should always be used. All welding flux must be carefully removed between successive beads and after the final bead has been deposited and the weld should be dressed flush and polished to agree with the original finish on any stainless steel surfaces subject to corrosive attack. Whenever possible, the finished article should be annealed before using.

In the grinding and polishing operations, good quality iron-free abrasives must be used in the several grades necessary to bring the weld area to the same degree of finish as possessed by the original sheet, and the whole unit passivated before being placed in service. The usual procedure for passivation is to immerse the unit in a 10-20 percent by volume solution of commercial nitric acid (sp.gr. 1.42) for 15-20 min., the solution being maintained at 130-140 deg. F. This is followed by thorough rinsing in clean hot water. If the size, shape, or location of the unit prevents immersion, the same result can be obtained by swabbing the surface with the hot acid solution and rinsing.

Summary-Stainless steel, preferably Type 316, has been used successfully in practically all stages of the manufacture and processing of phosphoric acid and its products after the rock has been burned. Typical applications



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include collectors of various types, puritication, filtration and concentration units, and storage units of varying shapes and sizes. This material has also been used successfully for some piping installations with flanged joints or approved sanitary fittings having ground joints, such as are customarily used in the food industries, many of which utilize phosphoric acid or its products in some phase.

It is impossible to make blanket recommendations as to specific applications of stainless steel in the phosphoric acid industry other than to say that Types 316 and 304 have proved most useful. Ordinarily it is advisable to conduct individual tests and to seek competent technical advise before starting fabrication. Because of varying techniques and problems of manufacture, con-ditions will vary from plant to plant. As a result, what may seem to be apparently comparable units or applications may actually be exposed to radically different conditions.

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ONE OF THE virtues of modified vinyl resins is their resistance to phosphoric acid in both dilute and concentrated solutions. Immersion tests have indicated that the percent gain in weight in 7 days immersion, in 50 percent phosphoric acid at room temperature is 0.05 to 0.08, whereas at ele-vated temperatures (140 deg. F.) under the same conditions, the percent gain in weight is 0.12 to 0.18. The above mentioned figures hold true for practically all concentrations of phosphoric acid from dilute to sirupy concentrations. Not only will vinyl-base resins resist phosphoric acid, but it provides an impermeable barrier to phosphoric acid, allowing none of it to be transmitted through the material and thus preventing any contamination or corrosion of the protected equipment. For protection of equipment involving processing or use of phosphoric acid, vinyls may be used either in the form of a 3 in. sheet lining material bonded to the metal surface, or as a liquid to be applied in the same manner as paint. It is recommended that vinyl paint be used primarily for exterior protection of tanks and structural steel, with the heavier lining material being used for tank interiors.

Conditions of Operation-In recommending the vinyls for phosphoric acid, the only limiting condition is one of temperature. While the maximum temperature recommended for linings is 175 deg. F., this temperature limit, in the case of linings, can be extended as much as 50 deg. F. by oversheathing with a single or double course of acid brick. The oversheathing provides a temperature gradient between the solution temperature and the lining temperature. Temperatures above 250 deg. F. will cause the lining to soften and will hasten chemical reaction.

In solutions of phosphoric acid involving the development of byproducts, or in solu-

<sup>\*</sup> Dr. Siddall's discussion is based on the performance of his company's product. Tygon. Because of variations in compounding methods, the products of the several manufacturers pro-ducing vinyi-base materials will show variation in their resistance to phosphoric acid. There-fore, the properties outlined here should be construed as applying strictly to Tygon but only approximately to other vinyls.—Ed.



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tions where phosphoric is but a part of the solution, tests should be made to determine the affect of the byproducts as they may adversely affect the ability of the lining to resist the acid.

Acration in the solution does not influence the ability of vinyl linings to resist the acid, inasmuch as oxidation has no affect on the lining either below or above solution level.

lining either below or above solution level. Installation—Sheet lining material may be applied in the field or at the factory, depending on the size of the equipment and the type of installation. Welded steel construction with ground welds is preferable. In the application of linings all seams are "heat-scaled" forming a continuous onepiece lining.

Paint is applied in the conventional manner by spray gun or brush to metal, wood or concrete surfaces. The conventional rules of surface preparation should be followed. Usually an application of primer and two or three finish coats of paint are sufficient, although additional finish coats may be used where corrosive conditions are severe.

Uses in Phosphoric Acid—In the heavy chemical industry, the vinyls may be used wherever phosphoric acid in any concentration is processed. They have a definite application in the manufacture of phosphoric acid by either the Dorr strong acid process, the electric furnace process, or the blast process. Equipment suitable for protection with vinyl linings include spray tanks, purification and slurry tanks, wash tanks, filters, storage tanks, mixers and absorption towers. Wherever elevated temperatures are encountered, brick sheathings should always be considered as a margin of safety.

be considered as a margin of safety. In the metal finishing industry, wherever phosphoric acid is used in cleaners or in metal preparation, the equipment may be completely protected by the use of vinyl linings.

In organic synthesis and processes involving organic chemicals and phosphoric acid, caution must be exercised in the use of vinyl linings, due to the byproducts formed which may exert a solvating effect on the lining. Solvents such as ketones, esters, chlorinated hydrocarbons and aromatic hydrocarbons tend to swell or dissolve vinyl linings. Processes involving phosphoric acid and alcohols, ethers and aliphatic hydrocarbons may be handled safely. The above information applies equally to the salts of phosphoric acid in any concentration, again the services being subject to the maximum temperature limitation.

In some cases, vinyl-base paint may be used to protect equipment from phosphoric acid, wherever temperatures are not encountered. It is not recommended that paints be used to build up a lining on the interior of a processing tank wherever agitation or temperature is encountered. In dilute acid and normal temperatures, a built-up coating of six to eight coats will serve for mixing, storage or shipping. The paint may be applied to new porous wood tanks, or to properly constructed concrete storage tanks.

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Experience has shown that temperatures greater than 80 deg. C. should not be exceeded, although a search of the literature indicates that severe deterioration does not occur under 150 deg. C. If the temperature limitation is adhered to, any concentration may be used.

The use of chemical stoneware in the manufacture of phosphoric acid is limited, although at least one case is known where a bell-and-spigot tower 40-in. in dia. has been used for this purpose. Generally speaking, it is only in the handling operations such as pumping, storage, and mixing that chemical stoneware is used. Typical equipment for this purpose are chemical stoneware pumps, cylindrical vessels, rectangular tanks, and both conical flange and bell-andspigot piping.

The use of chemical stoneware with phosphoric acid may be summed up by stating that temperatures over 80 deg. C. should not be exceeded, that any concentration may be handled at these temperatures, and that its main use is for handling equipment such as pumps and vessels.

### **COPPER, COPPER-ALLOYS**

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**COPPER** and copper-base alloys are successfully used in the form of heat exchanger tubing, piping, fittings, etc., although the corrosion rates are comparatively high. From the standpoint of construction, many of these copper alloys can be welded using welding rod of the same composition which gives a weld having approximately the same corrosion resistance as the adjacent material.

Since all of the corrosion accelerating factors discussed may vary from one plant to another, it is advisable to conduct preliminary service or field tests under actual operating conditions before using large quantities of copper alloys. In this way, consideration can then be given to the possible effect of all these corrosion accelerating factors. Selection of the most suitable material for use in a chemical industry is dependent upon several factors, such as (1) the availability of the materials in the proper form, (2) life expectancy, and (3) cost. Since some of the copper-base alloys discussed here are not available in all the forms needed in a chemical plant, the availability of any promising alloy in the desired form and size should be checked before it is given serious consideration.

Effect of Alloy Composition—Some of the available data on the corrosion resistance of copper and a number of copper alloys will be found in accompanying tables. For ease of comparison, the data have been broken down into five groups covering the most common copper-base alloy systems, namely:



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Rates of Corrosion of Copper in **Pure Phosphoric Acid** 

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TGases, principally 02, CO4, and N2 containing a small amount of phosphoric acid and traces of fluorine contsphorphorized copper.

Copper, copper zinc alloys, copper-tin alloys, copper-nickel alloys, copper-aluminum, copper-aluminum-silicon, and copper-silicon alloys.

Examination of the laboratory, field and service data indicates that copper and copper-base alloys, on the whole, should give satisfactory service in handling pure phosphoric acid solutions in various concentrations.

Effect of Temperature-In the range from room temperature up to 100 deg. C. the corrosion rate of copper base alloys is com-paratively small. However, the corrosion rate at 100 deg. C. is about five times that which takes place at room temperature. Effect of Aeration—Aeration of phos-

phoric acid increases the rate of corrosion for copper and its alloys from 10-100 fold depending upon the degree of aeration. Since only a limited amount of aeration exists under usual service conditions, it appears that most of the copper base alloys should be satisfactory for piping and heat exchangers.

The data presented in connection with water line corrosion indicates that consideration must be given to this type of corrosion where tubes or pipes are partially immersed in phosphoric acid solutions. Consideration must also be given to the possible increase in corrosion at the water line in partially filled shells of heat exchangers and in tanks.

Effect of Velocity-No definite informa-tion is apparently yet available on the effect of velocity on the rate of corrosion of copper alloys in phosphoric acid solutions. Lacking definite information, it would be avell to consider the possible corrosion accelerating effect of impinging or moving streams of phosphoric acid against or on metal surfaces



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tions adjacent to elbows, and (3) the installation of deflector or guard plates where the stream enters or leaves a heat exchanger.

Effect of Rubbing and Abrasion—Moving or sliding parts should be avoided as much as possible since in the presence of an acid, rapid local changes in dimensions may be expected to occur in these areas.

Effect of Contacts and Crevices—The crevices at threaded joints and in corners may be troublesome since localized corrosion may occur in such areas. The avoidance of such crevices through design and welding usually keeps difficulties due to crevice or contact corrosion at a minimum. Effect of Solution Composition—Varia-

Effect of Solution Composition—Variations in the concentration of phosphoric acid do not have as marked an effect on the rate of corrosion as the concentration of other materials. The impure phosphoric acid produced by the sulphuric acid process may contain a markedly higher concentration of ferric, sulphate, sulphite, chloride and fluoride ions than the acid produced by the electric furnace process. The presence of these ions increases the rate of corrosion considerably; up to 150 fold increase has been reported as probably being due in the main to the presence of other

Rates of Corrosion of Copper-Aluminum, Copper-Silicon Alloys and Modifications of These Alloys in Pure Phosphoric Acid

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98 Cu 2.0 Si	11	Q	(6)
97 Cu 3.0 Si	14	ö	(6)
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98.3 Cu 1.5 Si 0.3 Zn	5	Š	(2)
96 Cu 3 Si 1 Zn	5	S	(2)
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87 Cu 7.8 Al 3.7 Fe	320	Ar	(5)
89 Cu 8 Al 2.8 Fe	970	Ar	(5)
85 Cu 10 Al 4 Fe	1 560	Ar	(5)
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88 Cu 10 Al 2 Fe	10	S	(2)
96 Cu 3 Si 1 Zn	25	S	(2)
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92 Cu 4 Al 4 Ni	5	S	(2)
98.3 Cu 1.5 Si 0.3 Zn	10	S	(2)
96 Cu 3 Si 1 Zn	50	S	(2)
Field tests, 90% acid at	85 deg. C	.:	
88 Cu 10 Al 2 Fe	10	S	(2)
98.3 Cu 1.5 Si 0.3 Zn	5	S	(2)
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Alloy Composition	Corrosion Rate, Mils Per Yr.	Degree of Aeration <sup>2</sup>	Reference
Laboratory tests, 8.4% ac	id at roor 20	n temp.: Ar	- (7)
57 Cu 33 Ni 75 Cu 25 Ni 80 Cu 20 Ni 90 Cu 10 Ni 100 Cu	20 23 23 21 31	Ar Ar Ar Ar Ar	(7) (7) (7) (7) (7)
Field tests, 10% acid at 6	5 deg. C.	:	101
55 Cu 45 Ni 60 Cu 30 Ni 3 Fe	5	5	(2)
3 Cr 3 Si 70 Cu 30 Ni 74 Cu 20 Ni 5 Zn	1 1 5	555	$\binom{(2)}{(2)}$
Laboratory tests, 25% aci	id at 95 d	eg. C.:	
74 Cu 16 Ni 3.7 Fe 5.5 Al 88 Cu 5 Ni 5 Sn	1,770 1,285	Ar Ar	(5)
Field tests, 78% acid at 6	0 deg. C.	:	101
55 Cu 45 Ni 60 Cu 30 Ni 3 Fe 3 Cr	25	5	(2)
3 Si 70 Cu 30 Ni 74 Cu 20 Ni 5 Zn	10 10 25	55 <b>5</b>	(2) (2) (2)
Field tests, 78% acid at 1	85 deg. C	.:	
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3 Cr 3 Si 70 Cu 30 Ni	25 10	S	(2)
74 Cu 20 Ni 5 Zn	10	ŝ	(2)
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ions. The life of copper alloys will be very limited when handling phosphoric acid solutions of this type.

Pure phosphoric acid produced by the electric furnace process contains only small quantities of impurities such as ferric and fluoride ions and therefore is generally only slightly corrosive towards copper and its alloys. Yellow brass piping (65 percent copper, 35 zinc) apparently has been most widely used for handling such solutions.

Accumulation of products of corrosion on metal surfaces may also increase the rate of corrosion and the possibility of pitting. The low copper alloys, such as yellow brass and Naval brass (60 copper, 39 zinc, 1 tin) and other alloys appear to have thin and adherent corrosion films. Copper, coppersilicon alloys and other high copper alloys tend to form more voluminous, porous films or scales beneath which roughened or pitted surfaces will be found.

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corrosion rate of copper cooling tubes in phosphorus combustion chambers (400 mils per year) is high, the rate is appreciably lower than that characteristic for some other materials. For this reason, the use of copper tubes is feasible for this purpose.

Conclusion-The preceding discussion suggests that the keeping of service records which note the influence of the various corrosion accelerating factors mentioned should help considerably in maintaining equipment in good working order. Such records aid in (1) anticipating repairs, (2) making changes to minimize the effect of some of these factors in either old units or units on the drawing board and (3) selecting materials for replacement.

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### **Rates of Corrosion of Copper-Tin Alloys** and Modified Copper-Tin Alloys in **Pure Phosphoric Acid**

Alloy Composition	Corrosion Rat Mils Per Yr.	Degree of Aeration <sup>2</sup>	Reference
Laboratory tests, 5% acid	at room	temp.:	
19 Cu 7 Sn 4 Zn 5 Cu 6 Sn 9 Zn 6 Cu 70 Sn 4 Zn 12 Cu 10 Sn 7 Zn 0.1 Pb 14 Cu 9.5 Sn 6 Pb 13 Cu 10 Sn 7 Pb 13 Cu 9.5 Sn 3 Sb 15 Cu 9.7 Sn 5 Sb	50 24 45 47 52 53 42 55	Ag Ag Ag Ag Ag Ag Ag Ag	(8) (8) (8) (8) (8) (8) (8) (8) (8) (8)
Laboratory tests, 6.5% ac	id at roo	m temp.:	
98.7 Cu 1.3 Sn 98.7 Cu 1.3 Sn 98.2 Cu 1.8 Sn 98.2 Cu 1.8 Sn 97.5 Cu 1.5 Sn 1.0 Si 97.5 Cu 1.5 Sn 1.0 Si 95 Cu 5 Sn 0.1 P 95 Cu 5 Sn 0.1 P	40 15 36 14 27 11 22 9	≥q≥q≥q≩q	(6) (6) (6) (6) (6) (6) (6) (6)
Field tests, 10% acid at 65	deg. C.:		
92 Cu 8 Sn 90 Cu 10 Sn 75 Cu 10 Sn 15 Pb	1 5 1	ននន	(2) (2) (2)
Field tests, 78% acid at 60	deg. C.:	:	
92 Cu 8 Sn 90 Cu 10 Sn 75 Cu 10 Sn 15 Pb	5 10 25	5555	(2) (2) (2)
Field tests, 78% acid at 8	5 deg. C		
94.5 Cu 5.4 Sn .01 P 92 Cu 8 Sn 90 Cu 10 Sn 75 Cu 10 Sn 15 Pb	5 10 10 25	งสุดจ	(2) (2) (2) (2)
Field tests, 90% acid at 8	5 deg. C.	:	
92 Cu 8 Sn 90 Cu 10 Sn 75 Cu 10 Sn 15 Pb	10 5 10	5555	(2) (2) (2)
Field tests, gases" at 95 d	leg. C.:		
94.5 Cu 5.4 Sn .01 P 92 Cu 8 Sn 90 Cu 10 Sn 75 Cu 10 Sn 15 Pb	50 50 25 50	G G G G G	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)
Field tests, gases <sup>7</sup> at 95 d	leg. C.:	1	10.
94.5 Cu 5.4 Sn .01 Pb 92 Cu 8 Sn 90 Cu 10 Sn 75 Cu 10 Sn 15 Pb	150 100 50 100	GGGG	(2) (2) (2) (2)
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THE OLD MAN SWORE that the dust from the vicinity of the sugar pulverizers and screens on the third floor was a sin and an - abomination and a befoulment of the entire melter and pan house all the way to the skylight above the cighth floor! The hygroscopic property of sugar dust makes a nauseating and embarrassing mess. Moreover, heavy concentrations have caused distressing explosions. If any brother desires to view some pyrotechnics, let him go to an ill kept sugar refinery, if any there be, where the housekceping practice permits the ac-cumulation of sugar dust on ceiling beam flanges or on top of piping. And then let a heedless repair gang drop a spark into the dust and presto a flash travels on the beam or follows a sprinkler pipe as if it were a fuse. In a few seconds all of the ceiling beams are cleared of sugar and there is a deluge from the sprinklers. By good fortune and the promptness of the sprinkler system the house is saved but it gets a thorough purging. In an old East Coast refinery only as recently as 1940 a little explosion kicked up a big cloud of dust and thereby induced a secondary explosion that blew out the windows and a part of the wall. Anyhow the Old Man threatened that a

Anyhow the Old Man threatened that a remedy must be speedily applied or he would order the third floor walled from the rest and provided with a large fan. Letting the dust spread out from the place where it is produced and then applying enough fan capacity to capture it, is like trying to suck in the guinea pigs after they scatter away from the hutch. Closed rooms even invite danger by confining the dust. In some refineries these rooms have been provided with a light window wall towards the outside in the expectation of relieving the inevitable explosive force.

AND SO WE SAT DOWN with Sandythe Tinner and decided to steal the idea that the practical wood worker applies, i.e., to suck the dust right out of the machine where it is made and before it has an opportunity to expand into a large volume. This called for hoods over pulverizers and over the filling end of packing machines. Screens are purged of dust by connecting induced draft fans directly to the housing. In the case of dry sugar elevators a vigorous air suction above the head wheel extracts the dust produced at both the intake at the bottom and the delivery at the top. An important difference in the behavior of sawdust and sugar is that sugar attracts moisture and tends to build a deposit in the pipe. To ameliorate this, the suction pipe is made vertical or as nearly so as possible. For each machine a small fan (15-in. rotor dia.) is installed with vertical piping rather than a large one with a network of horizontal piping. The fan discharge, if not too large, will

keep reasonably free of deposit but the vertical arrangement is more trouble-free.

EVERY DEVICE however simple requires a modicum of attention, and to provide for the operator's' convenience, Sandy inserted numerous cleanouts. Frequently the operator shows lack of interest in an addition to his duties (without increase in pay). It's not his functal if a little cloud of dust rises to the pan floor! The pipe gradually fills and becomes inoperative. Finally the Old Man chances to pass through and squawks! Sandy, the culprit who built the system, has to take down the pipe and clean it out!

STEAM IS ANALOGOUS to dust except that the particles are water. Elevator heads for hot wet sugar condense the vapor in cold weather and then the surface may rust and rusty water may trickle into the product. Here the same induced fan serves satisfactorily with the addition of a small unit heater fan at the bottom of the elevator. In the case of hot wet sugar conveyors under the centrifugals we have provided tight hoppers between the bottom of the centrifugals and the top of the scroll convevors, and further, fitted removable steel covers on the conveyors between the hoppers, and finally, attached suction pipes on the conveyors or hoppers. The centrifugal curbs are covered to avoid chilling the sugar. In addition, a 6-in. suction pipe is in some cases added on the curb of the centrifugals to create a downward draft for the comfort of the operator when the centrifugal cover is open. For sucking vapor, the efficiency of the fan is increased if a simple spray condenser is in-stalled in the suction line. In the byproducts centrifugals where the vapors are corrosive, the piping is made of asbestos and the fit-tings of stainless steel sheets. The fans also



require to be made of stainless steel. Under our priority rights we were permitted to retain our prewar stock of stainless steel sheets but the manufacturer's schedule for new fans was filled. Accordingly Sandy made the housings and sent the scraps, cut to the size of the blades, to the fan builder who made the wheels "for old times' sake." A horizontal motor-fan on a common base can be arranged vertically by the addition of a ball step bearing and thereby avoid an elbow.

SMALL FANS and vertical pipes are also used in the char house for capturing the impalpable char dust. The dust is salvaged and bagged. Improvements were made in the conveyors and elevators (Chem. & Met., Aug. 1945, page 183) which by more kindly treatment of the granular char reduced the production of dust. Straightway Tony-the-Bagger reported a decrease in the efficiency of production!

THE VALUE OF SUGAR DUST is only a fraction of a cent below that of the commercial crystals. Whatever the cyclones and

the stocking collectors do not catch dry is melted by means of spray. The wet collector for this purpose is a cylindrical shell provided with a spray near the top and a few baffles below. The spray starts with water on Monday morning and is recirculated till it overflows continuously as sirup of a density that resists inversion of sucrose and corrosion of the metal. The ever watchful pH control adds a small quan-tity of lime milk from time to time



to neutralize acidity, thereby inducing production of a little more end molasses through the inhibitive property of the lime to crystallization. The wet collectors, 7 ft. dia. x 26 ft. deep, for a pair of 6-ft. granulators are made of copper or galvanized iron (not steel). The iron installations which Sandy built in 1923 are still in use although some of the interior baffles have required renewal. These baffles are attacked on both sides by corrosive liquid or vapor and should have been made thicker. Originally the circulating sirup was continually reheated and subsequently cooled by the large volume of air. Frank Harvey discovered that the heat encouraged inversion of sucrose and bacterial



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growth and so the heating was cut out and it was noted that the pH controller opened the lime milk supply cock less frequently.

ACQUIRING ACQUAINTANCE with the hazard of dust explosions in the sugar refinery now requires small effort, as the pioneers long ago paid the price and left a log of experience. Now and then some cadet operator shows an inclination to add corroborative experience. Horrendous pictures are published by the insurance companies but the incriminating evidence of the cause is not available. The insurance carriers hesitate to offend a good customer by severe investigations and besides the man who may have the facts about a spark from a welder, a cigarette or the illegal use of an unpro-tected extension lamp, keeps his knowledge unto himself! Flat dust collecting surfaces should be avoided as far as possible. Cabinets can be extended to the ceiling or provided with steep roofs. Sandy has even built his ventilating ducts with the top shaped like a Gothic roof and he has covered large diameter piping with a steep inverted V.

A THREE-MILLION-LB. BIN, 60 ft. deep. accumulates the refinery output at night so as to make packing a daylight job only. A heavy concentration of dust is produced in this bin as the sugar surface recedes and increases the height of fall. This bin has returned profits for 20 years; then one Friday night when the bin had been made nearly empty for the week-end shutdown, an atomic bomb hit the place! The trap doors blew open and tongues of fire leaped out of the bin opening. A few "polanders," having strong imaginations and weak nerves were gripped with panic. One said the bin walls had bulged six inches! "Frank-the-Mex" reported that the force of the blast flattened him to the floor-and he was 50 ft. away from the bin! The matter of the tongues of fire, however, was corroborated by the fact that sprinklers around the outside of the bin went off, the dust on



ercising their obses-sion of pouring on the water. By the aid of a little diplomacy and the contribution of a few small bags of Dust removal from sugar to the refined sugar bin men's Canteen" the firemen were induced to play their 175-lb. stream on the walls so as to wash off the goocy sirup. The walls of the bin were of wood but one end had been covered with galvanized steel and found to be easier to free of adhering sugar at the week ends. Fourteen tons of prewar galvar. ized plates were on hand waiting for an opportunity for covering the rest—and under the piping times of WPB control, thank Providence for that! The planks were some

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scraped and covered with the new plates. The old steel-clad end required only a little brushing. Every man and the cook worked through Saturday and Sunday so that the loss was limited to slightly reduced produc-tion for three days while the bin was bypassed. Then a small crusher which was discharging crushed lumps into the bin was rearranged with a magnetic separator above and a screen below. It was subsequently found that the magnet separated an occa-sional clevator bolt which got by the warconditioned mechanics. To reduce the hazardous dust concentration, the bin was also provided with a suction fan which discharged through a cyclone and returned the crystals into the bin while the dust was caught in a stocking collector. Cotton stockings require occasional washing to clean the meshes of caked sugar.

AN IMPORTANT INGREDIENT in good sheet metal work (or any of the mechanic arts) is the handiwork of an able and faithful craftsman like Sandy. The proper procedure is to sit down with him in his shop to determine the requirements and then let him interpret them in his own way and enjoy the exhilaration of accomplishment without the kibitzing of the boss. The exhilaration is enhanced when the boss's log records Sandy's successes for the edification of the Old Man.

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## NAMES IN THE NEWS\_



O. N. Miller

O. N. Miller has been appointed general manager of the manufacturing department of Standard Oil Co. of California, San Francisco, to have charge of the Richmond, El Segundo and Bakersheld refineries. Miller joined Standard of California in 1934 after receiving his doctor's degree in chemical engineering at the University of Michigan. He first worked in research and development, specializing on cracking problems.

Gustav Egloff left early this month for England at the invitation of the Institute of Petroleum of Great Britain. Dr. Egloff delivered a series of lectures before various local chapters of the Institute in England, Scotland and Wales. He also lectured at Oxford and Cambridge Universities, and addressed the Catalyst Club of England, in London.

Gordon B. Zimmerman has joined the firm of Bechtel Brothers McCone Co. as chief process engineer. Mr. Zimmerman, a chemical engineering graduate of the University of Wisconsin, was formerly with the Universal Oil Products Co. where he participated in a number of important advancements in the field of petroleum processing.

Walter Dannenbaum has been appointed general manager of the ammonia department of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. He succeeded F. A. Wardenburg who has retired after 39 years with the company.

Jack J. Gordon has recently been employed as chemical engineer by the Chemical Process Co. at Millbrac, Calif. Mr. Gordon. formerly in the research and development division of Tennessee Eastman Corp. in Kingsport, graduated from Stanford University in 1932. He has been active in AIChE affairs for some time.

**R. P. Rossman and George J. Duffy have** been transferred from the laboratories of Godfrey L. Cabot, Inc., Boston, to Pampa, Tex., where they will direct research at a new laboratory of the company.



Campbell Osborn

Campbell Osborn has left for Japan to take charge of the chemical and petroleum industries of Japan in General MacArthur's organization.

F. J. Emmerich, formerly controller and vice president of Allied Chemical and Dyc Corp., is now president. He succeeded H. F. Atherton who resigned from the presidency but who continues as chairman.

Edward F. Wesp, assistant director of viscose rayon research at the Spruance plant of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Richmond, Va., has been appointed technical superintendent of the Yerkes rayon plant at Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Wesp will be succeeded by Emerson A. Tippetts, formerly research manager at Richmond.

Orville O. Kenworthy, until recently with the Chemical Warfare Service, has been added to the staff of the color division of Ferro Enamel Corp., Cleveland, Ohio. A former Lieut.-Colonel, Mr. Kenworthy will engage in research and development work on inorganic coloring materials for glass, pottery and plastics.

Thomas O'Shaughnessy, a research chemist in the pioneer research section, rayon division of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. in Buffalo, has been appointed assistant professor of physical chemistry at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.

Winton Patnode, liaison representative for the research laboratory of the General Electric Co., Schenectady, has been elected chairman of the American Chemical Society's Eastern New York Section. He succeeds Wolfgang Huber, chemical director of the Electronized Chemicals Corp. of New York.

W. C. Gross has been appointed general superintendent of the Los Angeles refinery of the Wilshire Oil Co., Inc., and J. H. Ouding has been named assistant general superintendent.



Willard H. Dow

Willard H. Dow has been awarded the Chemical Industry Medal for 1946. President and chairman of the Dow Chemical Co. and president of the Ethyl-Dow Chemical Co., Dr. Dow was cited for conspicuous service to applied chemistry. The medal will be presented at a dinner at the Hotel Commodore in New York on November 8.

Harold R. Mighton and Thomas G. Fox, Jr., have joined the staff of the research laboratory of the Goodycar Rubber & Tire Co., Akron, where they will work in the field of fundamental research on high polymers.

Ralph Nickerson, authority on cellulose, has been appointed to the textile research department of the Merrimac Division of Monsanto Chemical Co. Donald II. Powers has been promoted to director of the division's textile chemical department and Sawyer Sylvester now heads the department's technical section.

Ralph W. Feil has joined the staff of the Institute of Textile Technology, Charlottesville, Va., to work in the engineering division. Previous to joining the Institute he was for seven years with the Eastman Kodak Co. as a quality control engineer.

Alexander Redniss, formerly chief chemical engineer with American Home Products Corp., has organized Technical Enterprises. Inc., New York. The new company is engaged in consulting engineering in the food, pharmaceutical and chemical industries as well as the design and sale of special pilot plant process equipment.

J. J. Press has been appointed director of textile research of the Manufacturers Research Laboratories, Inc., Jersey City, N. J.

William F. Tuley, formerly assistant general sales manager, Naugatuck chemical division, has been appointed operations manager for the synthetic rubber division, United States Rubber Co. With headquarters at the com-



pany's New York office, Dr. Tuley will supervise production, production schedules and production costs of the three synthetic rubber plants operated by the company at Naugatuck, Conn., Institute, W. Va., and Los Angeles, Calif. In addition, he will maintain close contact with the company's synthetic rubber research and development program.

Edwin H. Amick, Jr., research chemical engineer for the past five years with the Standard Oil Development Co., has been appointed associate professor of chemical engineering at Columbia University. In his hast post, Dr. Amick's work concerned technical and economic studies of new processes, design and operation of organic chemical plants, and supervision of process engineering on chemical plants. He was responsible in 1939 for developing processes, for the cracking of hydrocarbous.

Grant R. Fernelius has been appointed plant manager of the Elyria, Ohio, plant of Harshaw Chemical Co. Paul Hines, formerly manager of the Elyria plant, has become manager of the El Segundo, Calif., plant of the company.

Richard T. Nalle of Philadelphia, executive vice-president of the Midvale Co., has been elected to the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Co.

Colin C. Reid, organic chemist and Garvin Bawden, Jr., market analyst, are among recent additions to the staff of Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass.

Samuel A. Abrahams, formerly factories manager of the Plant Rubber & Asbestos Works, Emeryville, Calif., a subsidiary of the Paraffine Companies, Inc., has been appointed manufacturing manager of the insulations division. Mr. Abrahams will manage manufacturing facilities of both the plant Rubber & Asbestos Works and the Schumacher Division of the Paraffine Companies, Inc.

Robert I. Thieme, recently discharged from the Navy with the rank of Commander, has been made technical director of the Soundview Pulp Co., Everett, Wash., succeeding N. W. Coster who was promoted to general superintendent. Adof Orup was made director of research.

Stanley C. Adams, formerly assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Oregon, has been appointed chief chemist at the Fernstrom Paper Mills, Inc., Pomona, Calif.

John C. Morris is now superintendent of manufacturing of the resin and insulation materials division of the General Electric chemical department at Pittsfield, Mass.

Eugene Wainer has resigned as associate director of research of the Titanium Alloy Mfg. Co. to establish a research and development organization in chemistry and ceramics.

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John R. Musgrave of the research laboratories of the Eagle-Picher Lead Co., Joplin, Mo., has been elected chairman of the Southeast Kansas Section of the American Chemical Society.

H. K. Babbitt, production manager of the special products section of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co. retired last month. The special products section has been consolidated with the black powder section under H. C. Peinert, production manager.

Mark M. Luckens, recently discharged from the regional hospital at Fort McClellan, Ala., has been appointed chief of the medical inspection branch at Fort Jackson, S. C. Capt. Luckens' department is in charge of such activities as water supply, sanitation, food and nutrition, and insect and rodent control.

Arthur H. Burkhardt has been named manager and Frederic B. Sackett assistant manager of the Du Pont photo products plant in Parlin, N. J. Mr. Burkhardt succeeds the late Karl R. Myers as plant manager. Mr. Sackett has been production superintendent at Parlin since 1944.

Robert K. Summerbell, head of the department of chemistry at Northwestern University, has been elected chairman of the Chicago Section of the American Chemical Society for 1946-47.

Sidney Sussman and Marvin Lane are now chief chemist and assistant chief chemist respectively of the Liquid Conditioning Corp., New York. Dr. Sussman was formerly chief research chemist and Mr. Lane was research chemist group leader with the Permutit Co.

William M. Springer has been appointed x-ray products manager of the photo products department of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

Edward W. Lang, chemical engineer recently released from the armed forces, has joined the staff of Southern Research Institute in Birmingham, Ala.

Albert E. Marshall, president of the Rumford Chemical Works, Rumford, R. I., has been elected chairman of the American Chemical Society's Rhode Island Section. Mr. Marshall is a former president of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and a former chairman of the Society of Chemical Industry.

V. F. Hribar has returned to his position as chief chemist of the American Lumber and Treating Co., Chicago, after 3 years of duty with the Navy.

S. F. Bowlby, formerly assistant production manager for the Shell Oil Co., Inc., in Los Angeles, has been appointed vice presi-

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Robert M. Evans, who has been manager of the division handling the Du Pont Co.'s part in the atomic energy project, is now assistant manager of the industrial division of Du Pont's plastics department. In his new position, he will be assistant manager of the division which has charge of the manufacture and sale of plastic materials. He succeeds Calvin R. MacBride, who has been appointed assistant manager of the plastics department's products division. Mr. MacBride, who has been assistant manager of the industrial division since 1929, has transferred his headquarters from the plant at Arlington, N. J., to the division's offices in New York.

Edgar C. Bain has been awarded the Albert Sauveur Achievement Award for 1946. Dr. Bain is vice president in charge of metallurgy and research of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp., Pittsburgh. Award of the scroll and plaque will be made November 21 at the American Society for Metal's annual banquet, held as part of the National Metal Congress and Exposition at Atlantic City. N. J.

Everett B. Evleth has been named president of Ray Control Co. of Pasadena. Mr. Evleth was formerly vice-president and general manager of Brown Instrument Co. of Philadelphia.

Victor M. Mantz has been promoted to the post of director of research of R. M. Hollingshead Corp., Camden, N. J., and Albert E. Moore has been appointed chief chemist.

C. B. Harston, agricultural chemist, has been named to the staff of Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, where he will participate in a program of research on the effects of metals on soils.

Edward Hans Zeitfuchs, internationallyknown authority on the physical properties of petroleum products and inventor of a viscosity meter widely used in the oil industry, is retiring from California Research Corp., Standard of California subsidiary, after 25 years' service.

Royal K. Abbott has left this country for Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where he will be laboratory director for General Electric, S. A. While at the Pittsfield laboratory, Dr. Abbott's work has been in the field of synthetic organic dielectrics, which work he will continue in his new post.

W. F. Moore has joined the Davis Filtration Equipment Co., Inc., New York, as vice president in charge of manufacturing and technical director on filter processes.

G. J. Dekker has been elected a vice president of the Ohio Chemical & Mfg. Co. Mr. Dekker has been affiliated with Air Reduction, of which the Ohio Chemical & Mfg. Co. is a subsidiary, since 1919.

Frank C. Mathers has been named interim chairman of the department of chemistry, Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind., to



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B. S. Pressburg has returned to Louisiana State University as assistant professor of chemical engineering after a leave of absence of approximately four years. During thisperiod Major Pressburg served in the Chemical Warfare Service and the Signal Corps.

Benton Dales and Carl S. Williams, of Du Pont's rubber laboratory at Deepwater Point, N. J., have retired.

Carlyle J. Stehman of the central research department of the Monsanto Chemical Co.. Dayton, Ohio, has been elected chairman of the American Chemical Society's Dayton Section. He succeeds John W. Wright of Dayton.

Clyde Williams, director of Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, was presented the honorary degree of doctor of science at recent convocation ceremonies of the University of Utah, at Salt Lake City.

Ian D. Patterson has been named to fill the newly created post of assistant manager. chemical product development division. Goodycar Tire & Rubber Co.

Clifford T. Butler, former superintendent of Hercules Powder Co. plant at Bessemer. Ala., has been appointed superintendent of the Hercules, Calif., plant, to succeed Leroy P. Hall who has resigned.

Murray E. Othmer, associate professor of chemical engineering at Tufts College has left for the interior of China where he will confer with Chinese authorities on the re building of chemical industries in the Honan Province.

P. M. Rapier, for past several years in charge of Atlanta office of the Dicalite Co., has been transferred to Los Angeles where he will be connected with the research and service laboratories of that office. The Atlanta office will be under the management of E. V. Crossin.

W. A. Kutsch, general superintendent of the A. E. Staley Manufacturing Co., Decatur, Ill., has been elected vice-president in charge of production. Other company changes include the elevations of R. E. Greenfield from technical superintendent to general superintendent and William B. Bishop from the director of the chemical engineering laboratory to technical superintendent. George Cornell has been named director of the chemical engineering laboratory.

R. W. Mason, Jr., formerly associated with the Lithium Co., Newark, N. J., has joined the development and research division of The International Nickel Co., Inc. He will make his headquarters at the Detroit technical section of the division.

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Thomas L. Reiling, chemical engineering graduate from the University of Dayton and formerly a lieutenant in the Navy, has joined the technical service division of Brown Co., producers of cellulose and allied products, Chicago.

Arthur Batts, president of the Carborundum Co., Niagara Falls, N. Y., and M. W. Thompson, treasurer and general manager of the Hall China Co., East Liverpool. Ohio, have been elected to the board of trustees of Industrial Hygiene Foundation.

Bennett S. Ellefson has been appointed director of the central engineering laboratories of Sylvania Electric Products, Inc.

Arthur D. MacNutt has been named technical director of the roofing granule division of the Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co., St. Paul.

Malcolm M. Haring has been appointed laboratory director of two sections of Monsanto Chemical Co., Dayton. He has replaced W. C. Fernelius, who has returned to his position on the faculty at Purdue University.

#### OBITUARIES

Nelson E. Lamus, 73, superintendent and engineer of Bonneville, Ltd., potash producers located at Wendover, Utah, died in Salt Lake City last month.

Ernest C. Wheeler, member of the firm of L. M. Demarest and Associates, New York, died very suddenly on July 2.

John J. Potts, chemist of the American Steel & Wire Co., Cleveland, died July 3.

C. A. Peterson, 58, a member of the research staff of the Armstrong Cork Co. for more than 35 years, died in Lancaster, Pa., July 5.

Samuel A. Salvage, founder and former president of the American Viscose Corp. and "father" of the ravon industry in the United States, died at his home at Fishers Island, N. Y., July 10.

H. M. K. Grylis, 52, special assistant to the manager of the South Chicago plant of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., until his retirement July 1, died in Pasadena, Calif., July 14.

William P. Newman, retired purchasing agent of Robins Conveyors Inc., division of Hewitt-Robins Inc., died after a brief illness on July 17.

A. M. Lindenfelser, secretary of American-British Chemical Supplies, Inc., New York, died July 18.

Lancaster Morgan, 79, who was treasurer of the General Chemical Co. from 1913 until his retirement in 1924, died in New York July 22.

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American Car and Foundry Co., New York, has elected Robert W. Ward vice president and moved him from Huntington, W. Va., to New York where he will be in charge of manufacturing. W. E. Lunger, general superintendent at Huntington, has been made district manager there.

Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, has opened a new branch office in the Claremont Hotel Bldg., Evansville, Ind., and placed it under the management of R. W. Gillmore.

General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y., has expanded its chemical department at Pittsfield, Mass., through the formation of a metallurgy department. Dr. Zay Jeffries is general manager of the chemical department.

Paisley Products Co., Inc., Chicago, has appointed J. F. Sequin as its representative in Texas and Oklahoma with his office at 1410 Main St., Dallas, Tex.

Adel Precision Products Corp., Burbank, Calif., has added Ed. J. Towey to its staff in the capacity of sales manager of the in-

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dustrial division. Mr. Towcy formerly was executive vice president of the Diamond Iron Works of Minneapolis.

Mathieson Alkali Works, New York, has rearranged two southern sales areas with Harold R. Dinges in charge of one with headquarters at Charlotte, N. C., and Fred O. Tilson in charge of the other with headquarters at Chattanooga, Tenn. A new sales area in New England centers in Providence, R. I., with William H. Eastburn in charge.

Parker Appliance Co., Cleveland, has named J. E. Murphy manager of distributor sales. He joined the company in 1943 as sales representative in the Dallas territory.

Wyssmont Co., New York, is now represented in the Chicago area by Raymond J. Solomon of the Selwyn Engineering Co.

Central Soya Company, Inc., Fort Wayne, Ind., announces that H. W. McMillen, vice president and a member of the board, is now serving as director of sales for the company and all its divisions.

C. P. Hall Co., Akron, has appointed Herbert S. Karch technical sales representative to take over the work of the late vice president. Arthur E. Warner.

Hammel-Dahl Co., Providence, R. I., has made Arthur J. Koch assistant sales manager. Mr. Koch holds a degree of chemical



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Electric Machinery Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, has appointed Russel Ransom as sales representative for North and South Carolina. His office is located at Charlotte, N. C.

Acme Protection Equipment Co., Pittsburgh, has sold its interests in the Acme Mask to a partnership headed by G. M. Glidden. Mr. Glidden will supervise production and sales as general manager. The gas mask division operations have been transferred from Pittsburgh to new quarters at 3035 W. Lake St., Chicago.

Ilg Electric Ventilating Co., Chicago, has made four new appointments. F. H. Bigelow is now manager of the Atlanta office. II. H. Wilson is manager of the Memphis office. The Knoxville office has been reopened under the supervision of E. Lloyd Widner, while Henry M. Lutes has been established as manager of the Louisville office.

Carbide and Carbon Chemicals Corp., New York, has a new Albany office located at 50 State St.

Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., New York, has promoted Robert J. McGreevy to the position of assistant district manager of industrial truck sales engineering for the metropolitan New York area. Mr. Mc-Greevy was recently released from active duty in the Navy.

Elliott Co., Jeannette, Pa. has named J. N. McClure manager of the petroleum division with headquarters in Houston, Tex. C. F. McGinnis is now Kansas City district manager. J. E. Walsh has been appointed manager of the Houston district office.

Unexcelled Chemical Corp., New York is the new name of Unexcelled Mfg. Co., Inc.

American Brake Shoe Co., New York, has appointed J. F. Weller to the newly created post of sales assistant to the president.

Gotham Instrument Co., New York, has appointed Glenn O. Carson to the position of regional sales manager for the West. Mr. Carson will make his office at 331 Kinnear Place, Seattle 99, Wash.

Glidden Co., Cleveland, has promoted Charles M. Dunn, Jr., 'to the position of manager of aviation sales, and James C. Rankin to the post of assistant to the district manager of industrial and transportation sales. Both men will be located at the Cleveland plant.

Warren Steam Pump Co., Inc., Warren, Mass., has appointed Jarvis Equipment Co. as district agents in Kentucky and the southern sections of Ohio, Indiana and



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General Electric Co., San Francisco, has announced that Charles T. Haist, Jr. has joined the staff of the electronics department where he will handle federal and marine equipment for the department's western district. Mr. Haist worked under Dr. Ernest O. Lawrence, University of California, as an electronics designeer on the atomic bomb project.

Reynolds Metals Co., Seattle, has named Thomas A. Murphy as manager of a newly established western division of aluminum sales, with headquarters at Los Angeles. Mr. Murphy's territory will include the West Coast, Rocky Mountain States and Texas.

E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, has promoted Ambrose R. Chantler to the new position of general director of sales of the dyestuffs division. He is succeeded as director of sales by Eric J. Monaghan with Dr. Miles A. Dahlen as assistant director.

Air Reduction Sales Co., New York, has appointed A. C. Brown, Jr., manager of its Cleveland office. He succeeds Stephen H. Newborn who has been placed in charge of the Detroit office.

Robins Conveyors, Inc., Passaic, N. J., has moved its Philadelphia office to that of the parent organization, Hewitt-Robins, Inc., at 401 N. Broad St.

De Laval Separator Co., New York, has opened an office at 7212 Oak Grove Blvd., Minneapolis, with R. E. Thrush in charge and at 4746 Roanoke Parkway, Kansas City, with P. W. Perry in charge.

Graver Tank & Mfg. Co., East Chicago. Ind., has transferred Edward W. Welp from technical director of the process equipment division to sales manager of water conditioning equipment.

Kerotest Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh, has acquired the Wiljack Co. of South Pasadena, Calif., manufacturers of bar stock valves in carbon and stainless steel.

U. S. Industrial Chemicals, Inc., New York, has placed E. C. Phillips in charge of its newly-created St. Louis-Kansas City division. Mr. Phillips will make his headquarters in the company's office at 1600 Clark Ave., St. Louis.

Lovejoy Flexible Coupling Co., Chicago, has acquired in entirety, the manufacture and sales of the mechanical power transmission department of Ideal Industries of Sycamore, Ill.

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ager, to Oklahoma City where he will act as manager, replacing R. K. Alexander who has been put in charge of the office and warehouse at Houston, Tex.

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Enterprise Engine & Foundry Co., San Francisco, Calif., has appointed W. S. Everett as sales engineer. Formerly with Standard Oil of California and Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Co., Everett has recently returned from Naval service.

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Kaiser Co., Inc., has opened a new export division at 30 Church St., New York, to supplement its west coast offices in Oakland, Calif. The office will be under the direction of William F. Pelletier.

Turco Products, Inc., Los Angeles, Calif., has appointed Thomas G. Franzreb and Donald Keating to the technical service division staff. Both men have recently been released from Naval duty.

Food Machinery Corp., San Jose, Calif., announced the appointment of Ralph W. Cook as sales manager of the Bean-Cutler Division in San Jose. Mr. Cook has formerly been in the company's pump division and worked during the war with the Amphibian Tank program.

C. P. Hall Co., Akron, has promoted Thomas L. Stevens to the vice-presidency of the company.

Globc Steel Tubes Co., Milwaukee, has appointed Gilbert H. Krohn, manager of sales for the Detroit district sales office. Willard C. Christianson has been transferred to the Chicago district sales office as sales agent. Frederick K. Krell has been appointed sales service supervisor.

Victor Chemical Works, Chicago, has elected Tolman G. Everett assistant secretary. Frank A. Schwerdt was elected treasurer.

**Proctor & Schwartz, Inc.,** Philadelphia, has made Stanley Whiteway director of publicity for the corporation.

Tube Turns, Inc., Louisville, Ky., has appointed C. C. McDermond representative of the welding fittings division in Venezuela and Colombia. Mr. McDermond and his assistant, C. T. McCoy, will make their headquarters in Apartado No. 331, Maracaibo, Venezuela.

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The high investment cost of oxygen plant will make the production of gas by the use of oxygen economical only as a base load proposition. The unit costs of oxygen produced in small plants are bound to be higher than in large plants, principally because the investment costs are dis proportionally higher. Large plants may, therefore, be the first to find the use of oxygen economical and the first commercial installations will probably be made by the larger utility systems.

L. L. Newman, Bureau of Mines, before-American Gas Association, New York, June 5, 1946.

### USES AND LIMITATIONS OF DE-IONIZED WATER

Raw water varies a great deal in composition according to the sections in which it is pumped, and often times there is great divergence within the same locality. Some manufacturing processes are further complicated by having one water supply which in itself will show seasonal variations. Deionizing produces on such supplies a water free of dissolved solids which is the equal of, and often considerably better than, single distilled water in so far as total solids are concerned. This mineral-free water costs but a fraction of that produced by steam stills, and it is supplied under line pressure in volumes that would be, from a cost standpoint, prohibitive to distill. The mineral-free water is supplied at the temperature of the raw supply. In general, then, the de-ionizing resinous exchangers climinate a variable water condition.

While it is true that the quality of many products has been benefited by de-ionized water and that costs have been reduced in operations where large volumes of water are needed, it is only fair to state that some limitations were observed in the early exchangers. These troublesome factors have been thoroughly investigated and new resins formulated to overcome the objection of the earlier ion exchange materials. The objection of color throw, observed during intermittent operation of the exchanger in the de-ionized effluent, is almost entirely eliminated by using nuclear sulphonic acid groups in the hydrogen resin base. The presence of amines is now completely eliminated in the effluent by employing a more completely C stage polymerized amine formaldehyde resin for acid adsorption.

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It is not to be presumed, however, that all limitations have as yet been corrected. Water containing pyrogens, for example, cannot be passed through the exchangers to obtain complete pyrogen removal. Conversely, however, water free of these complex bodies is not contaminated in the reaction of ion exchange.

W. S. Morrison, Illinois Water Treatment Co., before American Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association, Lake Louise, Alberta, Canada, June 11, 1946.

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of various CWS developments have been pointed out. In addition to those, it is felt that important contributions have been made by publishing technical articles in many of the scientific journals. Since the war, many more articles have been published or prepared. The Technical Division has sent over 1,400 reports to the Department of Commerce for release.

Although there is some need for improvement of munitions and methods used or contemplated during the war, it is the policy of CWS to develop means of fighting the next war, if it comes, with the most modern weapons that science can devise. This policy calls for much basic research. When research is of such general nature that many discoveries and much information having limited military significance are produced, CWS will release the facts as they become available. A considerable volume of such material is likely to develop from the research which is in progress or under consideration. It will not be hidden if it lacks military importance.

In order to maintain close liaison with industry and educational institutions, so that CWS may secure the best information and so that the research may be of highest quality, the policy has been adopted of placing research contracts with such agencies. The contracts call for work in a particular field, but the methods of directing and performing the work are left largely in the hands of the organization doing the work. A substantial portion of CWS's funds for research and development will be used to finance this program. Some contracts have been let and others are being negotiated.

Brig. Gen. Charles E. Loucks before First Annual Meeting of Chemical Warfare Assoclation, Edgewood Arsenal, Md., May 24, 1946.

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R. I. Jaffee, E. W. McMullen and B. W. Gonser, before The Electrochemical Society, Birmingham, Ala., April 1946.

#### GERMAN SCIENTISTS WILL COOPERATE

GERMAN scientists as a class believe they have a major responsibility to restore their country to a leading position. It is the opinion of those who entered Germany immediately after the collapse that the academic scientists, although loyal to their country, took no active part in political affairs and in only rare instances approved the appointment of the party tools to university professorships. It appears that they have been influenced to a certain extent by proletarian propaganda, but their supreme interest is in finding ways and means of returning to their research problems.

Although the ideal conditions that formerly existed in Germany for facilitating research are gone, and perhaps may never be recovered, the will to succeed has not yet disappeared, and scientists, notably ambitious, will do their best to produce with whatever facilities are available to them.

Roger Adams, University of Illinois, Remsen Memorial Lecture before Maryland Section. American Chemical Society, May 24, 1946.

#### RESEARCH AND LEADERSHIP

ALTHOUGH this country emerged from the war with great advances in science and technology, leadership is required in the handling of international problems and domestic industrial and political troubles. Men who were leaders in the war are those who can and must provide the type of guidance required. Former members of the armed forces and their colleagues in industry and science will do well to organize into groups according to their particular interests and experience in national defense matters.

Looking ahead, we know we must preserve our military resources. National defense, being a part of our national life, places an obligation on each in his own field. The Chemical Warfare Association is regarded as an indispensable adjunct to our chemical corps as a source of advice and other means of aid. Achievements during the war have brought to the Chemical Warfare Service a greatly improved and expanded technical organization, most if not all of which can be applied to research and development in the period ahead. New compounds discovered and developed during the war must be reckoned with. The application of atomic energy to warfare, rather than making gas obsolete, may well extend



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the field for atomspheric attack. Biological warfare is still in its infancy.

In the future the efforts of CWS must follow two main lines: (1) Prosecution of research and development of new and better means, (2) assurance of chemical preparedness in all aspects, which includes main-tenance of stocks of standard munitions and supplies in war reserve, and the continued training of the Army in chemical warfare. The research and development program is under way. Project plans have been laid out, and the recruitment of scientists and technicians for the conversion from a war to a peace basis is well advanced. Munitions and equipment required for war reserve have been determined and arrangements for long storage are in hand. Education of our officers is of great importance; we will have no need in CWS for the so-called reaction-ary and stand-pat military mind of the past. In any new war we will have no time for gathering ourselves and our resources, and recognition of this fact is guiding the future efforts of chemical warfare work.

To cooperate intelligently, the civilian world must know our plans, our responsibilities and our objectives to the extent necessary to serve effectively in civilian specialties. It is intended that the scientist will be given a free hand in working out the problem. The military's job is to determine the nature of the problem. When it comes to research itself, that is a job for the civilian scientist and he must not be interfered with in his work.

Maj. Gen. Alden E. Waitt before First Annual Meeting of Chemical Warfare Association, Edgewood Arsenal, Md., May 24, 1946.

#### STORAGE BATTERY SEPARATORS

WARTIME shortages of wood battery separators, which bottlenecked production of electric storage batteries, were relieved when the Forest Products Laboratory showed how woods other than Port Orford white-cedar could be made into satisfactory separators. Research at the laboratory made possible the use of noble fir, Alaska yellow-cedar, and Douglas fir and at the same time developed a more economical process than that previously used for the Port Orford whitecedar.

.Separators are necessary to keep the positive and negative plates in storage batteries apart without making the batteries unnecessarily bulky. They also prevent short-circuiting between plates. Wood used for separators must be chemically treated to remove various extractives, such as tannins, oils, resins, fats, waxes, and acetic acid. If these extractives are not removed, they will contaminate the battery solution and destrov its serviceability. Besides removing extractives, chemical processing makes the separator porous enough to permit easy passage of the electrolyte solution and flexible enough to stand up well in service. Separators are extremely thin, 0.070 in. in over-all thickness and 0.035 in. in web thickness.

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G. J. Ritter, Forest Products Laboratory, before Cellulose Division, American Chemical Society, Atlantic City, April 11, 1946.

#### INFRARED SPECTROSCOPY APPLIED TO DDT

A QUICK method for the analysis of DDT has been developed which makes possible a better control of the quality of DDT compositions.

As used in the manufacture of insecticides, commercial DDT consists chiefly of three isomers, although 45 are theoretically possible. The most effective commercial products are composed largely of 1,1,1-trichloro-2,2-bis(p-chlorophenyl) ethane. The proportions of various isomers in a particular lot of DDT influence the effectiveness of the product as an insecticide.

of the product as an insecticide. Application of the infrared spectrograph to the study of DDT was developed during the war at the Du Pont experimental station. Infrared light is made to pass through a DDT solution, and the intensity of the various wave lengths of light that emerge is automatically plotted. The arrangement of the atoms in the molecules of the sample is thus indicated in graphic patterns. By the spectrographic method it is possible to detect the presence of certain isomers

By the spectrographic method it is possible to detect the presence of certain isomers and other materials not readily identified by analytical methods now in use. In addition, it is possible to analyze a sample of DDT by the infrared technique in about thirty minutes, an operation that would require days by conventional chemical procedures.

W. V. Freed, J. R. Downing, I. F. Walker and G. D. Patterson, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., before the Organic Division, American Chemical Society, Atlantic City, April 11, 1946.

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from chloride brine to glycol. A few months later Dr. O. H. Robertson of the medical department of the University of Chicago discovered that an aerosol of propylene glycol produced almost instantaneous sterilization in a test chamber infected with a high concentration of staphylococcus and streptococcus germs. This discovery was made as a continuation of the work

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done in London by a group of British medical scientists who successfully employed an aerosol of hexylresorcinol suspended in propylene glycol in crowded air raid shelters.

Dr. Robertson and his associates attempted to find the minimum amount of hexylresorcinol that would be effective and no matter how much he reduced the quantity of it, the aerosol was just as effective and when he used the glycol vehicle alone it sterilized the test chamber as before.

The ideal air sterilizing agent should be non-toxic, non irritating to the respiratory tract and yet possess marked killing action on bacteria suspended in air, odorless, tasteless, relatively inexpensive, easily obtainable and the substance should not be corrosive or injurious to paper, fabrics or other materials commonly used in treated spaces. The best all around results were obtained with hexylresorcinol in propylene glycol and further investigation of the various glycols was indicated. On the list for study were propylene glycol, dipropylene glycol, ethylene glycol, dicthylene glycol, triethylene glycol and butylene glycol.

butylene glycol. Of all the compounds investigated, triethylene glycol is the only one which meets all of the specifications. However, work will continue in this field and it is entirely possible that some as yet unknown property of one of the other compounds will outweight the economic advantage of triethylene glycol.

In the meantime the problem of the development of an entirely new specialty in the field of sanitary engineering to develop properly this new art of air disinfection for the common good is worthy of our most serious attention.

F. R. Weaver, Air Research Associates, before Metropolitan Section, American Soclety of Mechanical Engineers, New York. March 27, 1946.

#### AMERICAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY TODAY

A YEAR ago it was thought probable that the reconversion and expansion program of our industry would involve some two hundred million dollars. The latest indications are that in excess of one-half billion dollars will be spent from V-J Day throughout the succeeding two or three years in increasing our industry's manufacturing facilities.

ing our industry's manufacturing facilities. This is in addition to the utilization of many of the plants built under the direction of government agencies for the output of chemicals used for war purposes. While much of the financing was done by the government, the responsibility for construction and operation fell on the shoulders of the chemical industry. During this period of approximately four war years the operating companies were called upon to triple their operations—this at a time when the selective service draft and wartime scientific developments were drawing heavily on their technical and labor supply.

A striking feature of the chemical industry's wartime expansion was its regional distribution. Nearly 50 percent of this increase in plants was in the South and Southwest, although prior to the war only about 23 percent of chemical production in the United States was in that area. There were two principal reasons for this shift to the South and Southwest; the nature of the

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products being developed, and the military necessity for scattering the output of munitions.

The future of the American chemical industry is indeed bright, in spite of the many serious handicaps which now prevail. All are familiar with the many new developments which are bound to play a large part in expanding the chemical business. The new plastic materials and molding compounds are only one example of these chemical developments, and the source of many of these plastics gives a clear indication of another recent and drastic change in the chemical industry which will probably increase in the years to come. Whereas, after World War I, a large

Whereas, after World War I, a large percentage of synthetic organic chemicals stemmed from coal-tar raw materials, the war itself witnessed, and in fact stimulated, a change to petroleum as a source of raw materials.

This change in the source of synthetic organic chemicals, which has so largely stimulated the interest of petroleum refiners in the chemical industry, is not, however, a one-sided proposition. While we are witnessing the entrance of petroleum refiners into the chemical industry, either alone or in partnership with chemical companies, we are also witnessing the entrance of a chemical company into the field of synthetic lubricating oils. This overlapping of the fields of these two large industries is certain to develop some interesting new products of benefit to the consumer.

All this reflects the rapidity of change which is inherent in our industry. It frequently happens that through development of some new and better process, plant facilities representing large investments become obsolete before they are amortized. It has been estimated that the American chemical industry now is spending in excess of fiftyfive million dollars per year for research. This large expense is warranted if we can continue to rely on patent protection to safeguard ownership of inventions. The great changes which may come within the industry in the next few years will open new fields of development both for peace and for national security. The progress of the chemical industry will be interrelated to that of the Nation as a whole. At no time in our history I as this country had greater opportunities for service and advancement.

If sound judgment is exercised and those in political authority have the courage to carry out their responsibilities without regard to influence trom pressure groups, ar the applause of organized minorities, our country should resume its traditional advance and continue as the leading nation of the earth.

H. L. Derby, American Cyanamid & Chemical Corp., before Manufacturing Chemister Association, Skytop, Pa., June 6, 1946.

#### DEVELOPMENT OF SOVIET RESEARCII

UNLESS the United States speedily overcomes its current shortage of scientific manpower, and unless much more intensive support of fundamental research is provided by either the government or private industry, or both, the time may not be tar off when American scientific research, and also its industrial applications, may be lagging be hind the U.S.S.R. (and possibly England). The development of Soviet research in

The development of Soviet research in both depth and scope compares favorably with that carried out in this country and in England, although the general statement may be made that the Soviet Union is not in the lead.

One of the principal reasons for the progress now being made in Russian laboratories, is the fact that they are amply supplied with researchers, as young Russian scientists have not been drafted into the armed ervices, even during the war.

Most research in the Soviet Union is conducted in special institutes sponsored by the government. They have no connection with the universities except that graduate students may do research for doctor's degree in the laboratories under the supervision of institute personnel. The laboratories were well equipped, although some used Germany apparatus which was inferior to American equipment, the buildings were old and unattractive, but the Soviet government has made large funds available to the Academy of Sciences for new buildings as well as for new equipment and general expansion.

Russia's invitation to scientists from all over the world to be guests of its Academy of Sciences is helping to re-establish international scientific relations after the war. The American government should consider whether we could not follow Russia's example in organizing scientific meetings, not only as a matter of prestige and good will but also for our own benefit.

Dr. I. M. Kolthoff, University of Minnesota, before Delaware Section, American Chemical Society, May 15, 1946.

### FOREIGN LITERATURE ABSTRACTS

#### VITAMIN C IN VEGETABLES

ASCORBIC acid is well known for its instability, which makes it oxidize readily to dehydroascorbic acid and then to 2. 3-diketogulonic acid and finally to levo-threonic and oxalic acid. This instability is retarded in an acid medium with a pH of less than 4, and greatly accelerated if the pH increases beyond 5, especially in the presence of certain metallic ions such as copper. The methods for extracting ascorbic acid from plants are therefore based on the use of different acids and different concentrations.

Vitamin C Content in Vegetables and Fruits, Mg. of Ascorbic Acid per 100G.

Avocado Squash Swiss chard Celery Lettuce Water cress Banana Garden beet	<b>26.4</b> 3.5 13.2 2.6 3.8 24.6 17.6 32.5	Cashew nut (white) Cashew nut (red) Onion Chicory Spinach Guava (red) Currant	267.5 271.9 66.8 10.5 21.1 165.4 387.2	Carrot Mammee apple Green corn Cucumber Pepper (spice) Green pepper Red pepper Head cabbage Tomate	8.8 82.7 21.1 10.5 119.6 186.5 125.8 114.4
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Digest from "Vitamin C in Vegetables," by O. Ribelro, Auais da Associacao Quimica do Brasil IV, No. 2, 95-98, 1945. (Published in Brazil.)

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Digest from "Some Useful Properties of Trichloronitromethane," C. R. Acad. Sc. 219, Nos. 6, 7, 8, 230-233, 1944. (Published in France); Chimie et Industrie 53, No. 1, 45, 1945.

#### LUBRICANTS FROM AROMATICS AND PARAFFIN CHAINS

BENZENE is the most interesting of the aromatics, but it is available in limited quantities in France (about 17,000 tons per year) for the preparation of lubricants, since it is also in much demand as a fuel with high antiknock properties and ability to mix with alcohol and oil. Naphthalene (production 4,000 tons per year) can thus be used and it is probable that the still more condensed aromatics such as anthracene may be used successfully.

National resources in paraffin chains consist principally of ethyl and butyl chlorides, as well as dichlorocthane, which is derived from ethylene or ethyl alcohol. These, however, are only short-chain compounds. The country now lacks paraffin radicals with a long chain, aside from those which can be supplied eventually by oils of bituminous rocks and lignites. When the African oils will be used up, the following method will

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probably be used most. After deglycermation and chlorination, the fatty acids will be converted to ketones which will be reduced in hydrocarbons. Catalytic coupling, or con-densing by additive synthesis of the cyclic nuclei coming from the coal industry and natural fatty chains, seems to have the most promising future. The bringing together of the olefins contained in the gaseous fractions and solid paraffins, both coming from petroleum refineries, with the natural fatty chains can be considered in the same fash ion. The raw materials can also be produced from agricultural products. A hectare of land produces 525 kg. of oil per year, starting from alcohol, ar-1 450 kg. of oil, starting from colza. Another solution, in a chemical products plant, consists in preparing aro matics by carbonization of coal, and paraffins by application of the Fischer process. These aromatics are coupled with the paraffins as suggested above. These aromatics can also be combined by polymerization with the ethylene extracted from coal carbonization gas. In addition to the above procedures, the Navarre plan has provided the synthesis of lubricants by polymerization of ethylene, according to one of the two methods: (1) Polymerization in the cold in presence of catalysts; (2) polymerization by electric discharge. The ethylene can be obtained from one of the three following sources: (a) Extraction from coke oven gas or petroleum refinery gas; (b) treatment of an alcohol (ethyl or butyl); (c) Fischer process which will use advantageously the residues of screening and washing coal, gasified on the spot, due to its high ash content (more than 50 percent) and in special generators.

Digest from "Synthetic and Substitution Lubricants," by C. Berthelot, *Chimie et* Industrie 53, No. 3, 160-166, 1945. (Published in France.)

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The other chapters, 1 to 8 and 26 to 33

comprise a catch-all, part good, part controversial, all presumably having to do with the technical man's welfare. These chapters belabor the technical man at length for shortcomings which though possibly deserved, seem to the reviewer to be defects of adult beings in general.

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#### MICRO-IDENTIFICATION

ORGANIC QUALITATIVE MICROANALYSIS. By Frank Schneider. John Wiley & Sons, New York. 213 pages. \$3.50.

Reviewed by Arthur I. Gebhart Tins book presents a new and useful field

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POISONS: THEIR PROPERTIES, CHEMICAL IDENTIFICATION, SYMPTOMS AND EMER-GENCY TREATMENT. By Vincent J. Brookes and Hubert N. Alyea. D. Van Nostrand Co., New York. 209 pages \$3. Reviewed by Morris B. Jacobs

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Fire Hazards of the Plastics Industry. Published by The National Board of Fire Underwriters, 85 John St., New York, N. Y. 53 pages. Composition, classification and production of industrial plastics; hazards of the industry; flammability and thermal stability; developments in explosion and fire control; bibliography and appendix.

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A.S.T.M. Standards on Electrical-Heating and Resistance Alloys. 1946 edition. Published by American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race St. Philadelphia 3, Pa. 173 pages. 32. Standards and data on electrical resistance and heating alloys, electric furnace alloys, metals for radio tubes and lamps, heat-resisting alloys, electrical contact materials and thermostat metals.

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Chemicals. Standard Oil Co. (Ind.), Chemical Products Dept., Chicago, Ill.—Four bulletins describing a number of organic chemicals manu-factured by this company. Bulletin 10 covers ali-phatic hydrocarbons including isooctene and do-decene. Bulletin 11 describes the alkane sul-phonic acids including methane sulphonic acid. ethane sulphonic acid and mixed alkane sulphonic acid. Bulletin 12 describes the Indopols, a series of polybutenes. Bulletin 13A describes Indonex rubber plasticizers. rubber plasticizers.

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Conveyors. The Rapids-Standards Co., Inc., Grand Rapids, Mich.—4-page leaflet featuring the Floor-Veyor, a power driven belt conveyor for handling packaged materials in wholesale houses, warchouses, and manufacturing industries.

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Couplings. Crocker. Wheeler Electric Mig. Co., Ampere, N. J.—Bulletin SL-1000-1. 4-page book-let illustrating and describing the rubber cushioned resilient flexible couplings made by this company. Details of construction are illustrated with a cut-away view and the various features are shown. Specifications and a table of dimensions are given.

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Electric Motors. Electric Machinery Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.—Publication No. 1068. 24-page illustrated booklet entitled "Selection and Application of Synchronous Motors and Synchro-nous Motor Controls." This is a reprint of the series of articles on this subject.

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Instruments. The Bristol Co., Waterbury, Conn.—Bulletin P1233 describes and illustrates in letail the features of the new diesel engine pyro-neter manufactured by this company. Includes Irawings and specifications of diesel engine thermo-touple assemblies for use with this instrument.

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Instruments. Northern Equipment Co., Erie, Pa.-Bulletin 455. 4-page leaflet entitled 'Control-ling Water Level on Combustion Engineering Type VU Boilers."

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Instruments. The Powers Regulator Co., Chi-cago, Ill.—Circular PD-358. 4-page folder illus-trating and describing the Type H thermostatic water mixer made by this company. It is designed for use in controlling the temperature of water in photo developing baths.

#### 39

39 Materials Handling. Automatic Transportation Co., Chicago, III.—A series of five brochures illus-trating this company's electric propelled fork lift trucks ranging from 1 to 3 tons in capacity. Con-tains answers to many technical questions on operation and construction of this company's equipment.

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43 Plastics. E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Ar-lington, N. J.-12 page brochure highlights some of the special characteristics and combinations of properties which have made possible successful product applications from plastic materials made by this company.

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Pumps. Carver Pump Co., Muscatine, Iowa.— Bulletin 200. 8-page bulletin describing and illus-trating this company's new line of centrilugal pumps ranging in capacity from 40 to 900 gal. per minute. Includes details of hydraulic design and a table for selecting pumps for various services.

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Pumps. Warren Steam Pump Co., Inc., War-ren, Mass.—Bulletin 230. 4-page folder featuring the horizontal duplex piston pump made by this company. Includes detailed description of the mechanical features, metal specifications, sizes, capacities and dimensions.

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54 Solvents. Armour & Co., Chicago, Ill.,—4-page technical bulletin entitled "The Armids as Mutual Solvents for Waxes and Plastics." It de-scribes the use of commercial octadecanamide in blending certain plastics with paraffin and micro-crystalline waxes and includes diagrams showing areas of compatibility.

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Textile Finishing. American Cyanamid Co., Textile Resin Department, Bound Brook, N. J.--Bulletin 101. 12-page booklet discussing the pro-duction of durable glazes on chintz fabric. Proc-essing details are included and the properties of finishing resins are discussed.

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Tower Packing. General Ceramics & Steatite Corp., Keasby, N. J.—Bulletin 191F. 2-page leaf-let describing the Frischer rings used as tower packing. This is a technical report on experiments made at a chemical engineering laboratory.

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Tubing. Murray Tube Works, Elizabeth, N. J. --6-page folder which describes and illustrates the tube fabricating facilities of this company.

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Valves, American Car & Foundry Co., New York, N. Y.--8-page illustrated pamphlet featur-ing the full pipe-area lubricating plug valve which may be used for acids, caustics, chemicals, oil, water and other fluids. The various models are illustrated and the principles of operation are de-cribed scribed.

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Valves. H. Belfield Co., Philadelphia, Pa.-Bulletin 501, a 12-page booklet features the new pilot piston control valve made by this company. Mechanical characteristics are discussed and the valve is illustrated by cutaway views. Diagram-matic sketches are used to illustrate the various types of valves. Contains flow characteristics and application data.

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Ventilating Equipment. L. J. Wing Mfg. Co., New York, N. Y.—6-page pocket size folder illus-trating and describing the various types of beating. ventilating and combustion equipment and aux-iliary turbines made by this company.

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Water Treating. W. H. & L. D. Betz. Phila-delphia. Pa.—16-page brochure entitled "The Six Fundamentals of Betz Water Conditioning Serv-ice." It illustrates and describes how this com-pany provides a supervisory service for boiler water conditioning.

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Welding. Eutectic Welding Alloys Corp., New York, N. Y.-Selection chart lists this company's welding rods and their suggested applications and contains useful information on the application of these rods.

#### 67

Welding. The Graver Tank & Mig. Co., Inc., Chicago, III.—New booklet entitled "Weldments." This 19-page booklet presents a discussion of weldments as a modern metal fabrication method.

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Welding. Jessop Steel Co., Washington, Pa.--8-page booklet containing complete information on the selection and application of this company's stainless electrodes for welding stainless steel. 69

Welding. Metal & Thermit Corp., New York, N. Y.-92-page catalog illustrating and describ-ing applications, characteristics, physical and chemical properties, and recommended procedures for the Murex arc welding electrodes manufac-tured by this company. Also 16-page bulletin describing the type HTS welding electrode de-signed to prevent underbead cracking in the weld-ing of various steels. 70

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Welding Alloys. Ampco Metals, Inc., Mil-waukee, Wis.—Bulletin W-8F. A Spanish edition of the Ampco-Trode industrial application chart which contains a list of applications of aluminum bronze electrodes. Bulletin W-9 describes in de-tail the different grades of bronze electrodes man-utactured by this company. Bulletin 82 describes a series of stainless white alloys containing 20 to 30 percent nickel.

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#### RISING TREND REPORTED FOR BOTH PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF CHEMICALS IN JULY

WHILE only incomplete data are available for industrial activities in July, they point to an improvement in both the producing and consuming ends of the chemical industry. Steel mills, freed from strikes and shortage of coal, were able to turn out the largest tonnage of steel achieved in any month so far this year—in fact the largest since July of last year. A somewhat similar result is reported by oil refinerics with runs to stills averaging better than at any time since last August. General industrial outputs also were reported to be gaining in volume with a consequent increase in demand for a varied line of chemicals.

The Federal Reserve Board index shows a rather sharp gain in all production in June with the index number for that month standing at 171 as compared with a revised figure of 159 for May. The Board revised its preliminary index for production of industrial chemicals for May, cutting it from 395 to 387 but the index for June moved up 12 points to 399 which is its record level for this year. Data for production of chemicals in June included the output of some government-owned plants which are now operating under private management. This addition to capacities made a notable change in production totals for such chemicals as nitric acid, synthetic anhydrous ammonia, and ammonium nitrate as the June figures are far ahead of those reported for any previous month of the year.

The index of Chemical Engineering places industrial consumption of chemicals in June at 193.40 and at a revised figure of 196.89 for May. For the six months ended June, the index reports a higher consumption of chemicals in industry than for any other sixmonth period on record. The gain over the first half of last year, when some of the civilian industries were influenced by war activities, is approximately 3 percent. This increase was accomplished in the face of many unfavorable developments including closing of plants, shortage of materials, shortage of packaging material, difficulties in transportation, utilization of long-operated equipment, and an unbalanced price situation.

A review of the industries which offer the largest outlets for chemicals shows that they have advanced into the second half of this year with prospects for bettering the showing made in the first half. Consumption of rubber has gone ahead at a record rate. In the first half of the year, 493,261 long tons of rubber was used in the fabrication of tires and other products. Broken down by type this included 344,962 tons GR-S; 19,982 tons Neoprene; 41,406 tons GR-I; and 2,389 tons N-type rubbers. Consumption of natural rubber amounted to 84,522 tons and is increasing as imports gain in volume. In addition to the above totals, consuming companies made use of 130,918 tons of reclaimed rubber. Based on the sixmonth figures it is estimated that about one million long tons of rubber will be consumed in this country in 1946 or more than was required at the peak of wartime demands.

Demand for pulp and paper is sufficient to keep plants going at capacity levels but uncertainty about the size of outputs is caused by the possible limitations on supplies of pulp. Production in this country and in Canada has been pushed as far as possible and imports of pulp have added to the general supply. Sweden, which has furnished a good part of imports, is reported to be falling behind in its output. For the 1946-47 fertilizer season, the sup-

For the 1946-47 fertilizer season, the supply of fertilizer chemicals is expected to be about the same as for the season recently closed. With large consumption of superphosphate at home and abroad, a new record

#### Chemical Engineering Index dustrial Consumption of Chemics

**Industrial Consumption of Chemicals** 1935 = 100May Revised June 

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 Pertrilizers
 42.86

 Pulp and paper
 22.02

 Petroleum refined
 19.40

 Glass
 20.30

 Paint and varnish
 23.52

 Iron and steel
 7.60

 Rayon
 20.65

 Textiles
 11.94

 Coal products
 4.68

 Leather
 4.70

 Industrial explosives
 6.38

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for production is in prospect. A larger tonnage of ammonium nitrate also is probable since some of the former government plants are now producing for industry. TVA also is contributing to the supply of ammonium nitrate especially for export. From a world standpoint it is estimated that requirements for nitrogen will exceed supply by about a million tons and a deficit of about 16 percent is expected in the case of phosphate rock. These surveys have a bearing on domestic production since they point to a greater demand from abroad for our products.

Producers of glass find a ready market for their goods. Container output in the first half of this year was approximately 8 percent above that for the comparable period of last year and the 12 months totals are expected to set an all-time high. Flat glass has moved in larger volume as building and automotive production gained headway but the rate of increase has been slowed by scarcity of materials and other unfavorable factors which means that the full possibilities of the market have not yet been reached.

Producers of vegetable oils have had difficult going since the supply of oil-bearing materials has been unsteady and inadequate. Crushers of linseed at times have been forced to close their plants because no seed was available, this applying to the eastern crushers who depend largely on imported seed. Total tonnage of all oilseeds crushed in the first half of this year is 543,839 tons which compares with 640,966 tons crushed in the first half of last year.

The short supply of oils and fats has had a direct bearing on the soap industry and deliveries of soap in the first half of the year, based on reports from 70 manufacturers representing 90 percent of production, amounted to 1,223,968,000 lb. plus 1,915,-000 gal. of liquid soap. Dollar sales for soap in the half year were close to 14 percent below the comparable period of 1945.



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#### 1945 Production of Coke and Byproducts at Byproduct-Coke Plants

**Burcau Mines Table** 

Product	Plants Not Owned by City Gus	Plants Owned by City Gas Companies (Public If tilitics)	Total
Number of active plants	72	15	87
Production, tons Value Average per ton Byproducts	58,430,076 \$437,080,202 \$7,48	3,664,212 \$33,110,137 \$9,04	62,094,288 \$470,190,339 \$7.57
Tar Production, Gal Sale, gal Value Ammonia	$\begin{array}{c} 652,106,266\ 366,043,225\ \$19,476,954 \end{array}$	44,201,045 44,456,099 \$2,350,936	696,307,311 410,499,324 \$21,827,890
Production (NHs equivalent of all forms), lb Liquor (NHs content)	414,637,421	22.722.017	437,359,438
Production, lb Sales, lb Value. Sulphate	50,801,127 47,054,833 \$1,433,291	4,411,907 4,384,292 \$102,810	55,213,124 51,439,125 \$1,556,101
Production, lb. Sales, lb. Value.	1,455,345,178 1,526,866,800 \$19,491,616	73,240,079 75,257,000 \$1,042,402	1,528,585,257 1,602,123,800 \$20,534.078
Production, M cu. ft. Disposal of surplus Used under boilers	\$47,848,089	56.628,029	904,476,118
M cu. ft Value Used in steel or affiliated plant	32,017,600 \$3,092,247	44,303 \$6,103	32,061,903 \$3,098,350
M cu. ft. Value. Distributed through city mains	324,241,986 \$36,952,380	52,235 \$20,220	324,294,221 \$36,972,600
M cu. ft Value. Sold for industrial use	114,960,028 \$26,110,110	51,218,346 \$17,421,975	166,178,374 \$43,532,085
M cu, ft. Value. Crude light oil	29,102,560 \$3,236,809	2,616,353 \$905,178	31,718,913 \$4,141,987
Production, gal. Sales, gal. Value. Light oil derivatives	$\begin{array}{r} 237,439,484 \\ 13,822,705 \\ \$1,230,003 \end{array}$	8,247,769 4,296,117 \$331,234	245,687,253 18,118,822 \$1,561,237
Production, gal Sales, gal. Value.	198,864,848 187,587,304 \$27,468,672	3,804,718 3,687,829 \$418,823	202,669,566 191,275,133 \$27,887,495
All other byrochests value	86,898,339 86,157,557 \$1,791,522 \$9,159,191	778,960 778,960 \$15,445	87,677,299 86,936,517 \$1,806,967
and other syptomucial single	29,109,124	360,291	\$9,219,415





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#### **PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION TRENDS**



MANUFACTURERS of chemicals are working against seasonal trends inasmuch as operations have been speeded up in the last two months due to the renewal of work at some plants which had been closed by strikes and also because of the active call for supplies from consumers. The situation, however, is spotty with shortage of many raw materials still preventing full use of manufacturing facilities. In addition to the actual scarcity of materials, increasing difficulty has been found in spotting box cars for moving supplies from producing to consuming centers.

The shorter working week has contributed to the shortage of cars because it causes a greater time lag in their unloading and re turn. However, the problem basically rests on the fact that the number of available cars is inadequate. The Office of Defense Transportation has recognized this and gov ernment agencies are reported to be plan-ning the construction of 50,000 box cars. Railroads have ordered 57,693 cars to be built this year and it is believed that 80,000 new cars are needed if consideration is given to replacement requirements. In order to conserve steel, the use of aluminum bodies on steel underframes is being studied and the necessity for prompt action is shown by estimates that demand for rail deliveries will be larger in the months starting with September than it has been at any time so far this year. In addition to the heavy move ment of grains, production and delivery of major durable consumer goods are rising each month.

The rollback of some prices in the interim of OPA suspension, while resulting in some lowering of prices, has not altered the general price trend which is toward higher levels. The fact that chemical prices in general have been held in check while production costs have been mounting has created a situation whereby adjustments are necessary for profitable operation and for the encouragement of full-scale production. So far as chemicals are concerned, the revival of OPA apparently will serve not as an agency for continued price freezing but as an official medium for prescribing the extent of price advances. This is made manifest by recent official sanction for price rises for superphosphate, ammonium sulphate, nitrate of soda, nitrate of soda-potash, specified plastics products, and linseed oil. Manufacturers of synthetic resins, plastic materials, and substitute rubber have been authorized to apply for individual adjustments in their ceiling prices where production is threatened by increased costs. Ceilings for lead arsenate and paris green also are higher.

In addition, a beginning has been made in the removal of price controls where it is deemed they are no longer important. Several non-ferrous metals, non-metallic minerals and salts were freed from price control on July 26. The list includes arsenic trioxide, cadmium oxide and sulphide, metallic arsenic, activated clay, barite, bentonite, chalk, china clay, cryolite, diatomaccous earth, feldspar, fuller's earth, graphite, ilmanite, pyrites, whiting, and witherite.

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#### United States Production of Certain Chemicals

May 1946, May 1945 and Flve-Month Totals for 1946 and 1945

		May	May	Total, Fi	ve Months
Chemical and Basis	Units	1946	1945	1946	1945
Ammonia, synthetic anhydrous <sup>1</sup>	Tons	34,511	48,244	203,262	237,633
Ammonium nitrate (100% NH4NO3)	Tons	35,597		197,375	
Ammonium sulphate, synthetic (technical)	M lb.	17,054		89,370	
Calcium arsenate (100% Cas(AsO4)2)	M lb.	3,496	2,493	10,318	10,065
Calcium carbide (commercial)	Tons	36,761	64,805	206,743	310,656
Calcium phosphate:					07 000
Monobasic (100% CaH4(PO4)2)	M lb.	4,867	5,210	28,536	25,992
Dibasic (100% CaHPO)	M lb.	4,143	3,389	34,072	18,318
Carbon Dioxide:				05 140	07 075
Liquid and gas	M lb.	18,979	17,827	85,148	81,010
Solid (dry ice)	M Ib.	58,197	65,419	240,940	203,703
Chlorine	Tons	89,960	110,332	455,812	017,290
Chrome green (C.P.)	Al Ib.	1,592	419	8,775	14 071
Chrome yellow and orange (C.P.)	M Ib.	3,370	3,3/0	102 000	101 014
Hydrochloric acid (100% HCl)	Tons	26,331	37,132	133,004	10 277 000
Hydrogen	M cu. It.	1,203,000	2,199,000	20 264	10,017,000
Lead arsenate (acid and basic)	N1 10.	7,900	1,892	09,001	050
Molybdate chrome orange (C.P.)	MI ID.	20 520	11 757	160 640	200 716
Nitrio acid (100% IINO3)	1 ons	02,000	1 222 006	12 002 610	6 050 402
Oxygen	MI CU. IL.	004,997	2,000,090	246 104	274 431
Phosphoric aoid (50% HaPU4)	lons	02,402	00,901	040,131	21-1, 10x
Soda ash (commercial sodium carbonate):					
Ammonia soda process (98-100%					
NA2COA):	Tong	303 174	388 044	1 756 049	1 844.470
Piele and dry*	Tons	150 080	208 019	971 342	992 134
Finished light	Tons	101,055	125 807	617 284	576.322
Pinisned dense	Tons	17 847	17 133	82,907	75,497
Sadium bigarbonate (refined) (100% NoHCOs)	Tons	14 399	16.393	89.144	71.536
Sodium bickroonste (reineu) (roo /ortanoos)	Tons	7 096	6.955	37.579	34.264
Sodium budrovide (100% NoOH)	10115	1,000	01000		
Floet colution process*					
Liquids	Tons	87.240	104.563	440,495	489,291
Solid	Tons	15,630	18.299	79,371	93,761
Lime ends process:					
Liquid	Τοπε	52,050	65,315	307,733	361,685
Solid	Tons	14,740	21,955	101,397	101,028
Sodium phosphate:					
Monohasic (100% NaH2PO4)	Tons	504	1,387	4,903	6,152
Dibasic (100% Na2HPO4)	Tous	2,876	5,132	25,800	23,167
Tribasic (100% Na;PO.)	Tons	6,087	7,623	42,535	34,281
Meta (100% NaPOs)	Tons	1,349	2,358	11,988	10,385
Tetra (100% NasPrO7)	Tons	4,437	2,848	33,572	15,192
Sodium silicate (anhydrous)	Tons	29,198	43,955	158,322	189,828
Sodium sulphate:					
Anhydrous (refined) (100% Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> )	Tons	27,098	6,684	122,372	34,314
Glaubers salt	Tons	14,592	19,654	78,745	90,714
Crude salt cake	Tons	30,558	47,668	147,979	238, 190
Sulphurie acid (100% H2SO4):		0.00 0.1	000 00 1	1 000 500	1 281 400
Chamber process	Tons	267,845	269,394	1,280,308	9 405 491
Not contrat process	lions	472.693	507.590	2,210,830	2,400,001

Data for this tabulation have been taken from "Facts for Industry" series issued by Bureau of the Census and WPB Chemicals Bureau. Production figures represent primary production and do not include purchased or transferred material. Quantities produced by government-owned arsenals, ordnance works, and certain plants operated for the government by private industry are not included. Chemicals manufactured by TVA, however, are included. All toos are 2,000 lb. Where no figures are given, data are either confidential or not yet available. <sup>1</sup>Includes a small amount of aqua ammonia. <sup>2</sup> Total wet and dry production, including quantities diverted for manufacture of caustic soda and sodium blearbonate, and quantities processed to finished lipht and finished dense. <sup>3</sup> Not including quantities converted to finished dense. <sup>4</sup> Data collected in cooperation with the Bureau of Mines. <sup>6</sup> Figures represent total production of liquid material, including quantities evaporated to solid caustic and reported as such. <sup>6</sup> Includes oleum grades. Excludes spent acid.

#### United States Production of Certain Synthetic Organic Chemicals

April 1946, April 1945 and Four-Month Totals for 1946 and 1945

Chemical	April 1946	April 1945	Total, Fo 1946	our Months 1945
Acetanilic, technical and U.S.P.	638,239	575,103	2,416,820	1,686,570
Acetic acid: Synthetic <sup>1</sup> Recovered	23,187,005	22,564,074	89,083,793 343,765,330	94,059,095
Natural <sup>2,8</sup>	2,342,315 44,789,682	3,081,745 45,309,429	7.776.897 172,880,931	11,897,907 179,541,151
Acetone	26,316,490		106,978,271	
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Chemical	April 1946	April 1945	Total, Fo 1946	our Months 1945
Acetylsalicylic acid	1,013,525 6,624,185	948,074	3,910,160 27,707,581	3,574,895
5-Ethyl-5-phenylbarbituric acid and salts (Phenobarbital)	35,684	16,652	124,956	88,814
Motor grade:	908 508		2 005 440	
Coke-oven operators <sup>4</sup>	2,256,879		9,421,712	
Tar distillers <sup>4</sup>	2,379,688	·····	7,598,756	
Butyl alcohol, primary, normal Carbon bisulphide.	8,901,966		33,091,560	
Carbon tetrachloride Chlorobenzene, mono	10,888,078 23,011,332		48,462,902 86,688,535	
Creosole oil: Tar distillers <sup>4</sup>	10,052,000	11,152,804	38,080,956	43,712,386
Crevols: <sup>7</sup>	2,386,273	3,111,764	7,825,878	12,672,287
Ortho-meta-para	491,292 2 268 046	2 730 465	2,505,776	2,003,031
Dibutyl phthalate. Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane (DDT).	1,447,909 4,139,852		14.231.674	
Ethyl acetato (85%) Ethyl ether, technical and U.S.P	7,610,358 3,486,949	9,793,282 8,296,093	28,193,176 10,110,284	37,210,246 31,109,435
Formaldehyde (37% by wt.)	40,256,656		159,543,924	
Synthetic	1,229,449 43,932,508	\$1,553,760 42,349,920	5,173,522 179,964,023	\$6,387,680 168,994,640
Tar distillers (less than 79° C.)4 Tar distillers (79° C. and over)4	17,660,149	17,359,596	58,828,594 33,465,215	66,741,255
Coke-oven operators (less than 79° C.) <sup>6</sup> Penicillin <sup>5</sup> .	5,389,912 2,435,998	8,000,052	18,893,473 7,642,720	30,179,535
Phenol (synthetic and natural) <sup>7</sup> Phthalic anhydride	18,438,959 9,216,851	11,582,105	65,282,587 35,149.262	42,882,902
Toluene:	31,778,855		115,577,248	••••••
All others,10	1.010 581		4 189.081	•••••

U.S. Production of Synthetic Organic Chemicals (Cont. from page 296)

All data in pounds except benzene (gal.), creosote oli (gal.), toluene (gal.), and penicilin (million Oxford units). Statistics collected and compiled by U. S. Tariff Commission except where noted. Absence of data on production indicates either that returns were unavailable or confidential. <sup>1</sup> Excludes the statistics on recovered acid. <sup>2</sup> Acid produced by direct process from wood and from calcium acetate. <sup>3</sup> All acetic anhydride including that from acetic acid by vapor-phase process. <sup>4</sup> Product of distillers who use purchased coal tar only. <sup>5</sup> Statistics are given in terms of bulk medicinals only. <sup>6</sup> Statistics collected by Burcau of Mines, <sup>1</sup> Total production including data reported both by coke-oven operators and by distillers of purchased coal tar. <sup>5</sup> Reported to U. S. Bureau of the Census. <sup>9</sup> Reported in gal. by Burcau of the Census but converted to 1b. for comparison with the production of synthetic methanol. <sup>19</sup> Includes toluene produced from petroleum by any process.

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#### Base = 100 for 1937

This month	.111.36
Last month	110.50
August, 1945	108.75
August, 1944	109.48

#### **CURRENT PRICES**

The accompanying prices refer to round lots. Where it is trade custom to sell f.o.b. works, quotations are so designated. Prices are corrected to August 12.

INDUSTRIAL CHEMIC	ALS
Acetone, tanks, lb.	\$0.06 -
Acid acetic 29% hbl 100 lb	2 20 . 02 02
Borin bbl ton	0.00 - 30.00
Citain damas lb	09.00 -113.00
Ciuric, druins, ib	.22423
Formuc, coys, 15.	.10111
Hydrohuoric, 30%, drums, lb	.08085
Lactic, 44% tech., light, bbl., lb.,	.073- 075
Muriatic, 18°, tanka, 100 lb.	1.05 -
Nitric 36° carboys lb	05 001
Oleum tanka wka ton	19 50 00 00
Oucling usings, was, ton	18.50 - 20.00
Oxalic, crystals, bbl., lb	.111121
Phosphoric tech., tanks, lb,	.04
Sulphuric, 60°, tanks, ton	13.00 -
Tartaric, powd., bhl., lb.	62 - 65
Alcohol amyl from pentana tonko	100 100
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1D	.131
Alcohol, butyl, tanks, ib	.10 .24
Alcohol ethyl, denatured, No. 1	
special, tanks, gal	.542-
Alum ammonia lump. Ib.	041
Aluminum pulphoto com hom 100	10×6
Alumnani sulphate, com, baga, 100	
JD	1.15 - 1.45
Ammonia, anhydrous, cyl., lb	.14
tanks, ton	59.00 - 61.50
Ammonium carbonate, nowd., casks	
lb	001 10
Sulphoto who to-	20.00 .10
Suiphate, WKS., IOD	30.00
Amyl acetate, tech. from pentane,	
tanks, lb	.14
Aqua ammonia, 26°, drums, lh	.021- 03
tanka tan	#5 00 -
	00.00
Arsenic, white, powd., obl., io	.00054
Barium carbonate, bbl., ton	65.00 - 75.00
Chloride, bbl., ton	75.00 - 78.00
Nitrate casks lb	091 11
Blee for dry here ton	60 00 - 70 00
Diac ha, dry, bags, ton	00.00 - 70.00
Bleaching powder, 1.o.D., WKS.,	
drums, 100 lb	2.50 - 3.00
Borax, gran., bags, 100 lb.	45.00
Calcium acetate, bags, 100 lb.	3.00 -
Amonoto da lb	071. 09
Allechate, un forma tan	.07100
Carbide, drums, ton	50.00
Chloride, flake, bags, del., ton	18.50 - 25.00
Carbon bisulphide, drums, lb	.0505
Tetrachloride drums gal	73 - 80
Chloring liquid tanks wha 100 lb	1 75 - 9 00
Chiofine, hquid, tanks, wks., 100 lb.	17.00 10.00
Copperas, bgs., 1.0.D., wks., ton	17.00 - 18.00
Copper carbonate, bbl., lb.,	.19120
Sulphate, bbl., 100 lb	5:65 - 6.15
Cream of tartar, bbl., lb.	50 - 52
Diethylene glycol dr lb	141_ 151
Energy and days took bel 100 lb	1 20 0 00
Epsorn sait, dom., cech., bbi., too to.	1.00 - 2.00
Ethyl acetate, tanks, ib	.081111
Formaldehyde, 30%, tanks, lb. wks.	.032
Furfural, tanks, lb.	.091
Glaubers salt have 100 lb	1.05 - 1.10
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Tand.	101- 19
Lead:	
White, basic carbonate, dry, casks,	
lb	.10
Red. dry. sck., lb.	.101-
Lead acetate white crue bhl lh	124- 12
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Tithemana ham 1	.131 .142
Lithopone, Dags, 10	.044049
Magnesium carb., tech., bags, lb	.07108
Methanol, 95%, tanks, gal	.60
Synthetic tanks, gal	24 -
Phoenhorus vellow cases th	23 - 25
Thosphorus, yenow, cases, to	.2020
Potassium olcoromate, casks, 10	101- 101
Chlorate, pwd., Ib	.09112
Hydroxide (c'atic potash) dr., lb.	.07071
Muriate, 60%, bags, unit.	.534
Nitrate ref bbl lb	08 - 00
Permanganate drume lb	107- 00
Description and and the H	10 .20
Prussiate, yenow, casks, ID	.1017
Sal ammoniac, white, casks, lb	.051506
Salsoda, bbl., 100 lb	1.00 - 1.05
Salt cake, bulk, ton.	15.00 -
Sode ash light 3807 here contract	
too lb	1 05 -
Deser 100 1	1.00
Lense, bags, 100 lb	1.15
Soda, caustic, 76% solid, drums, 100	
lb	2.30 - 3.00
Acetate, del., bbl., lb	.051- 06
Bicerbonate bbl 100 lb	1 70 - 2 00
Dishamota hom lh	071. 00
Dienfontate, bags, iD	10.00 17.00
Disulphate, outk, ton	10.00 - 17.00

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Base = 100 for '1937

his month		166.39
ast month		153.39
ngust, 1945		145.85
ugust, 1944		145.24
Chlorate, kegs, lb.	\$0.081-	\$0 061
Cvanide, cases, dom. 1b	-144-	.15
Fluoride, bbl. lb.	.07 -	.08
Hyposulphite, bags, 100 lh	2.25 -	2.50
Metasiliente hbl. 100 lb	2.50 -	2.65
Nitrate bulk ton	27.00	
Nitrite casks lb	067-	.07
Phoenhute tribasic bags 100 lb	2.70 -	
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Castor oil, No. 3 bhl., lb	\$0.141-\$0.151
Chinawood oil, tanks, lb	.39
Coconut oil. Cevion. N. Y., lb.,	.0885
Corn oil crude, tanks (f.o.b. mill), lb.	.12]
Cottonseed oil crude (f.o.b. tmill),	RE."
tanks, lb.	.16
Linseed oil raw, car lots, dr., lb	.168
Palm, casks, lb.	.0865
Peanut oil, crude, tanks (mill), lb	.12
Rapeseed oil, refined, bbl., lb	nom.
Sovbean, tanks, lb	.111
Menhaden, light, pressed, dr., lb	.13
Crude, tanks (f.o.b. factory), lb	.089
Grease, yellow, loose, lb	.111
Oleo stearine, lb	.09
Oleo oil, No. 1, lb,	.24
Red oil, distilled, bbl., lb	.131
Tallow, extra, loose, lb	.081

#### E COAL-TAR PRODUCTS

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Ipha-naphthol, crude, bbl., lb	\$0.52 -	\$0.55
Alpha-naphthylamine, bbl., lb	.32 -	.34
Aniline oil, drums, lb	.111-	.123
Apiline salts, bbl., lb.	.22 -	.24
Donzeldehyde, tech., dr., lb.,	.45 -	.50
panzidine base, bbl. lb.	.70 -	.75
pongoia acid USP kees lh.	.54 -	.56
penzol 00% tenke worke gal	.15	
Benzol, bo /or tained work of the	.22 -	.24
Benzyr chloride, rech. druma, lh.	.21 -	.22
Reta-hapitter, eccar, and so, to the	103	
Cresol, ODI, dr. mka mal	81 -	.83
Creaying acid, un, wash gut	15	
Diphenyi, Dol., 10.	40 -	.45
Dietnylaninie, di., jo	18 -	.19
Dinitrotolitol, bol., io	22 -	.23
Dimurophenyi, bbl., ib	23 -	.25
Dip oil, 15%, ur., gai	25 -	
Diphenylamine, ur., 1.0.D. wks., ib.	45 -	.50
H acid, bbl., lb.		
Hydroquinone, Dhi., 10.	001-	10
Naphthalene, flake, bbl., ib	08 -	09
Nitrobenzene, dr., ID	.00	. (15
Para-cresol, obl., ID	49 -	.13
Para-nitroaniline, bbl., ib	10 -	11
Phenol, USP, drums, ID	25 -	
Pierie acid, bbl., lb	.00 -	1 (1/)
Pyridine, dr., gal.	1.00 -	1.00
Resorcinol, tech., kegs, lb	.03 -	92
Salicylic acid, tech., bbl., Ib	.20 -	
Solvent naphtha, w.w., ranks, gal	.20 -	
Toluidin, bbl., lb.	.90 -	
Toluol, drums, works, gal	.27	
Xylol, com., tanks, gal	22 -	

MISCELLANEOUS		
Casein, tech., bbl., lb	\$0.41	\$0.42
Dave colors'		
Dry colors. Dluck (wks.), lb,	.0365-	.097
Carbon phy, blue bbl lb	36 -	
Prussian nuc. bon. in	11 -	
Ultramarine blite, boil, ib	9.1	33
Chrome, green, bbl., ID		0.00
Carmine, red, tins, ib	0.00 -	0.10
Para toner, lb.	.10 -	0.00
Vermilion, English, bbl., lb.	2.50 -	2.00
Chrome vellow, C.P., bbl., lb	.17 -	.18
Cum copel Congo, hags, lb.	.09 ~	. 5.)
Manila hare th	.09 -	. 15
Duman Datavia cases lb	.10 -	.22
Danial, Data via, carco, to the	18 -	.60
Lauri, cases, io	64 00 -	
Magnesite, caic., ton.	05 -	07
Pumice stone, lump, bol., ib	5 10	.01
Rosin, H., 100 lb.	7.49	
Shellac, orange, fine, bags, Ib.	.70	
Bleached, bonedry, bags, lb.	.71	10000
T. N. bags, Ib.	.68	
Turpentine, gal.	1.06 -	

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- Ark., El Dorado—Root Petroleum Co., Commercial National Bank Bldg., Shreveport, La., plans to remodel existing catalytic cracking plant into a premium gasoline manufacturing plant. Estimated cost \$300,000.
- Calif., San Bernardino-Converse Rubber Co., Malden, Mass., plans to construct a rubber products factory in the Central Manufacturing District. Anderson Nichols Associates, 210 West 7th St., Los Angeles, Cons. Engrs. Estimated cost will exceed \$1,000,000.
- Calif., San Francisco-Paraffine Companies, Inc., 475 Brannan St., plans to construct an asbestos cement products plant. Estimated cost \$1,000,000.
- III., Mousanto-Monsanto Chemical Co., 1700 South Second St., St. Louis, Mo., plans to remodel and construct additions to former government owned chemical warfare service plant for the manufacture of chemical products. Estimated cost \$1,000,000.
- Kan., Deerfield—Deerfield Petroleum, Inc., c/o F. Connor Creigh, Pres., Wichita, plans to construct an absorption type gasoline extraction plant here. Estimated cost \$100,000.
- N. C., Charlotte—Dillard Paper Co., 515 West 6th St., plans to enlarge its paper plant on North Tryon St. at Dalton Ave. Estimated cost \$300,000.
- O., Cleveland—E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc. Grasselli Chemical Div., Independence Rd., plans to construct a 2 story. 30x85 ft. factory. Conrad, Havs. Simpson & Ruth. Hanna Bidg., Cleveland, Archts.
- O., Gibsonburg--Kelley Island Line & Transport Co., Leader Bldg, Cleveland, plans to construct three factory buildings. Estimated cost S100,000.
- Okla., Edmond—Peppers Refining Co., Oklahoma City, Okla., plans to enlarge West Edmond compressor station to a capacity of 20,000,000 cu.ft. of gas per day. Estimated cost \$300,000.
- Tex., Houston-Asbestos Co. of Texas, c/o Otis Massev, 201 Hutchins St., plans to construct an asbestos shingle manufacturing plant. Estimated cost \$375,000.

#### **CONTRACTS AWARDED**

- Calif., Berkeley-Pacific Paint & Varnish Co., 4th and Cedar Sts., received low bid for 3 story. 60x100 ft. resin and varnish factory building from Barrett & Hilp, 918 Harrison St., San Francisco, at \$120,000.
- Calif., El Cerrito—Technical Porcelain & Chinaware Co., Manila and Kearney Sts., has awarded the contract for a factory building to Godfrey Petersen, 1336 Portland St., Albany. Estimated cost \$60,000.
- Calif., Plaster City-U. S. Gypsum Co., 816 West 5th St., Los Angeles, has awarded contract for a group of five small and one large factory buildings for a wallboard plant to Morrisson-Knudsen Co., Title Guarantee Bldg., Los Angeles. Estimated cost will exceed \$1,000,-000.

	Current Projects		Cumulative 1946	
	Work	Contracts	Work	Contracts
New England		\$55,000	\$715,000	\$5,784,000
Middle Atlantic		430,000	9,096,000	28,073,000
South	\$300,000	23,600,000	55,567,000	47,250,000
Midcle West	1,155,000	1,177.000	12,523,000	41,542,000
West of Mississippi	1,075,000	6,220,000	85,816,000	77,230,000
Far West	2,000,000	1,556,000	7,855,000	16,897,000
Canada		700,000	405,000	15,563,000
Total	\$4,530,000	\$33,738,000	\$171,977.000	\$232,339,000

- Calif., Vernon---Wilson Paper Co., 4200 South Alameda St., will construct three masonry warehouse buildings by own forces under supervision of Webber & Co., Eng., 606 South Hill St., Los Angeles. Estimated cost \$125,-000.
- Fla., Pensacola—St. Regis Paper Co., 230 Park Ave., New York, N. Y., has awarded the contract for a paper mill to Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., 17 Battery Pl., New York, N. Y. Estimated cost \$10,000,000.
- Ga., Savannah—The Southern Paper Board Corp., subsidiary of Robert Gair Corp., New York, N. Y., has awarded the contract for a pulp and paper mill here to Daniel Construction Co., Greenville, S. C. Estimated cost \$13,000,000.
- Ill., North Chicago—Abbott Laboratorics, North Chicago, has awarded the contract for an addition to its research building, also 3 story addition to factory building A-1, to Wm. E. O'Neil Construction Co., 2751 North Claybourn St., Chicago. Estimated cost \$700,000 and \$400,000 respectively.
- Miss., Gulfport-Sterling Drug Co., Inc., 170 Varick St., New York, N. Y., has awarded the contract for a drug plant to George P. Hopkins, Gulfport. Estimated cost \$600,000.
- Mo., St. Louis-Sterling Aluminum Products Co., 2925 North Market St., has awarded the contract for a 1 and 2 story addition to its shops, warehouse and office building to John Hill Construction Co., 915 Olive St., St. Louis. Estimated cost including equipment \$55,000.
- N. H., Tilton-Johns-Manville Corp., 22 East 40th St., New York, N. Y., has awarded the contract for design and construction of a paper mill to H. A. Kuljian & Co., 1518 Walnut St., Philadelphia. Estimated cost \$55,000.
- Ore., Merrill-Klamath Falls Potato Products, Inc., Merrill, has awarded the contract for remodeling its starch manufacturing plant to Pinnegar & Watkins, Klamath Falls. Estimated cost \$91,000.
- Ore., Portland-Western Waxed Paper Co., Public Service Bldg., has awarded the contract for a 1 story, 155x240 ft. addition to its plant to Reimers & Joliette, Ry. Exchange Bldg., Portland. Estimated cost \$100,000.
- Pa., McKees Rocks—Federal Enameling & Stamping Co., McKees Rocks, has awarded the contract for a 5 story, 100x185 ft. factory addition to Brookside Lumber Co., Brookside Farms, Pittsburgh. Estimated cost \$100,000.
- Pa., North Wales-Keller-Whilidin Pottery Co. has awarded the contract for the construction

of a manufacturing plant to Austin Co., 19 Rector St., New York, N. Y. Estimated cost will exceed \$55,000.

- Pa., Towanda—E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del., has awarded the contract for a manufacturing plant to Rust Engineering Co., Clark Bldg., Pittsburgh. Estimated cost \$275,000.
- Tex., Hearne—Humble Oil & Refining Co., Humble Bldg., Houston, has awarded the contract for a gasoline and oil products terminal to O'Rourke Construction Co., 4011 Koehler St., Houston. Estimated cost \$70,000.
- Tex., Houston—Diamond Alkali Co. of Texas, 1006 Main St., subsidiary of Diamond Alkali Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., has awarded the contract for the construction of an electro chemical plant to Brown & Root, Inc., 4300 Calhoun Rd., Houston. Estimated cost \$5,750,000.
- Tex., Houston—Humble Oil & Refining Co., Humble Bldg., has awarded the contract for a gasoline and oil products terminal to O'Rourke Construction Co., 4011 Koehler St., Houston. Estimated cost \$80,000.
- Tex., Randado-Sun Oil Co., Milan Bldg., San Antonio, will construct a pressure maintenance plant with own forces. Estimated cost \$70,000.
- Tex., Robstown—Humble Oil & Refining Co., Humble Bldg., Houston, will construct a compressor station to utilize cashinghead gas. Work will be done by owner. Estimated cost \$140,000.
- Tex., Waco-Humble Oil & Refining Co., Humble Bldg., has awarded the contract for a gasoline and oil products terminal to O'Rourke Construction Co., 4011 Koehler St., Houston.
- Wash., Tacoma—Cellulose Products Co., 6010 East 15th St., will construct a factory and warehouse. Work will be done by day labor. Estimated cost \$60,000.
- Wis., Manitowoc-Heresite & Chemical Co., 822 South 14th St., has awarded the contract for the construction of an addition to its factory to Karper Construction Co., 1205 West 16th St., at \$76,700.
- Ont., Peterborough—Canadian Nashua Paper Co., Ltd., 25 Aylmer S., has awarded the contract for a new plant and office building to Anglin-Norcross Ontario, Ltd., 57 Bloor St., W., Toronto. Estimated cost \$500,000.
- Ont., Peterborough-Tileo Plastic Co., Park Hill Rd. and Park St., has awarded the contract for a plant to Eastwood Construction Co., Ltd., 358 George St., W. Estimated cost \$200,000.



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- The Davison Chemical Corporation (64-65-66)
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COLUMNS 1—Copper Alcohol Distillation Unit, 36" Dlameter— 23" high—bubble cap, Sectional type. 1—Steel Alcohol, Concentrating Column 62" Dla, having 24 sections 14" high—cap, 400 gal. 190 proof. 1—Steel Fractionating or Bubble Cap Column—30" Dia, x 32' high.

#### COMPRESSION BELTS OR SEALERS 4-Standard Knapp Units, 10' and 20'.

CONDENSERS i-Copper Single Pass Condenser 18"x8' long with 1%" Copper Tinned Tubes-105 sq. ft. 1-Devine iron Surface Condenser 8"x57" with receiving

tank. I-Aluminum Condenser 9'6" long having 64 tubes 3/4"

-or 150 sq, ft. 2-Surface Condensers or Heat Exchangers-each unit has 5256 tubes-1"-and 17' long 2800 sq, ft. I-Surface Condenser having 1100 tubes 3/4"x18' long.

#### DRYERS

DRYERS 2-Buffalo Double Door Vacuum Shelf Dryers, 20 shelves, size 60"x160" with Vacuum Pump and Condenser. 3-Buffalo & Devine-Vac, Shelf Dryers, 40"x40"-5 Shelf & 13 Shelf. 1-Ross 4 Pass Continuous Conveyor Dryer, 60' ong, with accessories. 2-Proctor & Schwartz 80 Tray Dryers, 34"x7 x6'10". 1-Black & Clawson Double Drum Dryer, 28"x60" with accessories.

accessories. 3—Double Drum Atmospheric Dryers, 271/2"x83". 1—Devine Double Bronze Drum Dryer, 3'x9', with 25

H.P. motor. 1-Buffalo Sincle Drum Chrome plated Dryer, 5'x6'

Buffalo Sincle Drum Chrome plated Dryer, 5'x6' with auxiliaries,
Buffalo Double Drum Dryer, 32'x72",
Buffalo Six12' Rotary Drum Dryer,
Action Six12' Rotary Drum Dryer, 3'x20',
Buffalo Vacuum Drum Dryer, 5'x20',
Rotary Vacuum Dryer, 3'x18' with auxiliaries,
Galland & Henning Steam Tube Dryers, 6'x30',
Gehreich Gas Dryer 41'x58'x30',
Stokes Laboratory Size Vacuum Shelf Dryers, EVAPORATORS

I-Swenson Single Effect Aluminum Evaporator 3'2"x 5'6" with 200 Aluminum tubes '%"x4'-with Vacuum Pump and Aluminum receiver. 2-Lillie Evaporators 5'x10" all Copper with 140-3"

copper tubes. I-Buffalo Single Effect Stainless Steel Evaporator, rapid circulating type with pump and condenser.

FILLERS (DRY POWDERS) Stokes & Smith Model GI Universal Semi-Auto

matic. I-Triangle Model SN Auger type, Semi-Automatic. I-National Packaging F2 Free Flowing Filler. 2-National Packaging Two Station, Automatic Auger Fillers.

Fillers. 3—Scott Scales and Hoepner Weigh Type Fillers. 1—Triangle Elec-Tri-Pack Filler, Free Flowing 3 oz. to 3 ibs. 8—Day. Spott-Waldron, Jeffrey and Howe, Lock and Barrel Packers.

HEAT EXCHANGERS I-Griscomb-Russel 7 Pass Stainless Steel Heat Ex-changer.-(See Condensers)

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#### FILTERS

1-Shriver 18" Wood Pl. & Fr. Filter Press. 1-Shriver Cast Iron 24" Pl. & Frame, Filter Press with Jump and motor.
 Shriver 30" C.I. PI. & Fr. Eliter Press.
 Industrial all Iron Rotary Filter Drum 6'x3',
 Oliver Filters 5'x6'—Steel construction.

KETTLES 75—Jacketed Ketiles in stock, Stainless, Copper, Iron etc. up to 1000 gal. capacity. LABELERS

6-Semi-Automatic Bottle Labelers World, Ermold, Na-

6-Semi-Automatic Borne Labores Levels tional. 2-Burt & Standard Knapp Can Labelers. 2-Pneumatic and Weeks Straight Line Automatic. MILLS (Roller)

2-Kent 16"x40"-Three Roll Mills. 1-Hauchin-Aiken 20"x48"-Three Roll Mill. 1-Lehman 5 Roll Water Cooled Mill, 20"x48"-ar-Lehman S Roll Water Cooled Mill, 20 x48 — al-ranged for M.D.
 I—J. H. Day 3 Roll Water Cooled Mill 9<sup>x</sup>x33—B.D.
 I—Lehman 4 Roll Water Cooled Mill, 12<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>x32<sup>m</sup>—ar-ranged for B.D.
 I—Buhler 5 Roll Water Cooled Mill, 13<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub><sup>\*</sup>x31<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub><sup>\*</sup>— V belt drive to 20 H.P. motor.
 MILLS (Ball & Tube)

4—Hardinge Conical; 5'x22"; 6'x48";—(2)—6'x30", I—Abbe Ball MIII, 40"x58"—arranged for M.D. 3—Stearns Rogers Tube Millis, 5'x22', 3—Allis Chalmers 7'x24' Tube Mills. I—Allis Chalmers 6'x22' Tube Mill.

MILLS (General)

2-Raymond No. 45 Imp Mills complete with acces-

sories 3-Raymond #10 and #0000 Mills. 2-Raymond #1 Mills-P.D. 1-Stedman Cage Mill arranged for (2) 75 H.P. motors (not included).

MIXERS (Heavy Duty - Semi-Solids)

3-Simpson Intensive Mixers, 6'; 4' and 18". 4-W, & P. Jacketed Mixers, 2 gal., 9 gal. and 20 gal 1-P. & J. Jacketed Hor. Mixer 34x40x50, double ellip tical arms-requires 2 motors. I-Abbe Double Z arm Mixer-137 Gal. Cap.-with 7½ H P metor.

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SEAKGHLIGHT SECTION

REBUILDING FACILITIES

PRESSES 3-Hydraulic Presses 200 ton-30x60, steam heated platens-15" ram 9" daylt.
 3-Tercelson Toggle Presses 7"x13" steam platens.
 1-Bethlehem 42x34 Hydraulic Press 500 ton with

pump. I-Southwark 500 ton Curb Press: 40" bed: 18" ram. STILLS 12—Vacuum Stills in Copper, Steel, Aluminum—Jack-

'Jacuum Stills in Copper, Steel, Aluminum—Jack-eted—Colled—all sizes.
 I—Glass Lined 3000 Gal.—Sectional Still.
 Bubbe Cap Stills (see Columns).
 I—Copper Gin Still 300 gal. 5' dia.
 Buflovac Nitric Still & 00 Bbl. capacity.—96"x108" with oil burner.
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 Tablet Burch and Rotary Tablet

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#### SEARCHLIGHT SECTION (II) Ð



#### CENTRIFUGALS AND CLARIFIERS

2-#600 De Lavel Clarifiers. I-Lacta Clarifier. I-Sharples Clarifier #6. I-Sharples type M75 Clarifier. I-267 folhurst copper basket Centrifugal. 2-10° Tolhurst suspended type Centrifugals. I-International 10 cup Centrifuge, 2 hp. I-International size I Centrifuge.

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—GO sq.ft. steel shell copper tube surface. —IO sq.ft. steel. —I4 sq.ft. copper surface. —I5"x4" copper horizontal Jet.

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I-Economy 1000 lb. portable, 5' lift, hand operated, I-Revolvator 1000 lb. portable, 5' lift, hand operated, I-2000 lb. portable, 20' lift, motor driven,

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- I-U.S. hard rubber 10 spout Liquid Filler, 12 ez
- 1-0.5. nard rubber 10 spout Liquid Filler maximum. 2-- Edtbauer duplex Net Weighers. 1-- American Bond Scale Net weight Filler. 1-- J. H. Day Lightnin Packer. 1-- Stokes tube Filler, Closer and Crimpor. 1-- Stokes tube or jar Filler.

#### FILTERS

I--13" International bronze single plate Filter, I--12" 8-dise asbestos Soitz bronze dise Filter, I-10" 12-plate Kiefer bronze Filter, I-10x10" Sperry C.1. 6-plate and frame Filter Press. I--12x12" II-recessed plate C.1. Filter Press.

#### **KETTLES**—Steam Jacketed

(New) Stainless steel steam Jacketed Kettles.
 10—Copper Kettles—5 to 150 gallon.
 3—Copper Kettles with aqitators: 20, 40 and 60 gal.
 6—C.I. steam Jacketed Kettles: 25 to 150 gal.

#### MILLS

HILLS I—Austin-Western Gyratory Crusher, I—Raymond 5-roll high side Mills. I—Raymond 0000 Imp. Mill. I—Raymond 0000 Imp. Mill. I—Stokes and Day Drug and Hance Mills. I—Porter Iron cone Jar Mill. I—Abbe 18 gal. Steed Bail Mill. I—Abbe 18 gal. Steed Bail Mill. I—Abbe 18 gal. Steed Bail Mill. I—Day 2-jar 4-gal. each Pebble Mill. I—Charlotto Coloid Mill, steel rotors, 5 hp. 5—Hammer Mills.—Daratous sizes. 3—#3 Nead Mills, belt driven. I—Day Iron Mills.—Dia and 18". 3—Day Iron Mills.—12 and 18". 2—Day Iron Mills.—12 and 18". 2—Day Iron Mills.—14. I6. 18 and 24". 2—Schutz-O'Neill Pulverizers: 16" and 20". 2—20" Sprout-Waldron Attrition Mills: 20 hp.

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J-8 gal. Day Pony Mixer.
 I2-Dough Mixers-single and double arm.
 I-Day Imperial Mixer-zilo 23 gal.
 4-Westorman jacketed Mixers, 19x26x26".
 5-80 gd. 3-speed Mixers; Hobart and Read.

#### MIXERS-Dry Powder

I-2000 lb. Essmueller paddle type. I-3000 lb. Davis, 41"x9½' long. 2-Burton closed revolving drum type. I-16 cu.ft. Broughton. I-16" Simpson Intensive.

#### OVENS

I—Denver Electric Oven: 5 trays 24x36". I—Drying Oven 24x24x43"—gas fired. I—Revelation size 7 gas fired Kiin 18x24x26".

#### PRESSES

Watson-Stilliman Hydraulic: 2½" ram, 14" dallte, 14x14" bed, bench type, 2500 lbs. pressure.
 Elmes Hydraulic: 3" and 4" rams, 10x14" platens, 9" dallte, 4000# line pressure.
 Hydraulic Press: 64%" ram, 12" stroke, 32" dallte.
 Leo Fruit Presses, hand screw feed, 26x28" wood plate.

plates. I-(Now) 31/2-R Famce Arbor Press.

#### PUMPS

I-Allis-Chaimers & Centrifugal Pump, 3-stage, 75 hp. I-Douglas 4x6" Triplex with 5 hp. motor. I-CP reciprocating vertical Pump with ½ hp. motor. I-Gould triplex plunger Pump 5x8". I-Eines vertical 3-piston high and low Hydraulic Pump.

5 hp. Kinney rotary Pumps, 28 GPM. at 300# pressure, 2-

2--Kinney Fotary, tamp, 10 hp. 1--Viking bronze Pump with 2 hp. motor. 4--Steam Pumps-Gstx6 and 6x6x6 duplex. 1--Lammort & Mann #5 Vacuum Pump 5 hp. 2--Leiman size F rotary Vacuum, 78 CFM. at 200 RPM. 1--Union Dry Vacuum Pump, 10x20x12\*, 433 CFM. 1--Devine 4x6\* Vacuum Pump.

#### STILLS

JILLS
Water Stills, gas and steam operated, i, 234, 3, 10 and 25 GPH.
I-Blakeslee solvent recovery Still, 25 GPH.
I-Klenm Copper Fruit Still, 40 gal., with tank.
I-Ro solvent recovery Still, 30 GPH.
I-5 gal. Weber Copper Still with berry head and con-denser.
I-30 gal. cast iron direct fired.

#### TABLET MAKING EQUIPMENT

4-Colton 2B single punch Tablet Machines. I-Stokes F Tablet Machine. I--I' Richardson Tablet Machine. I--Colton #1 Oscillating Sifter. I--Colton Mass Mixer.

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#### **TANKS**—Miscellaneous

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I-Hevi-Duty Pot Type electric furnace, Model MU-160, complete with cover Foxboro con-troller, switches and relays.
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I-Microton Siage.
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- 2-Dorr Continuous Dewaterers, 8' x 6'.
- -Industrial Rotary Filter, size 1-6' x 3'.
- 1-Louisville Dewatering Press, screw type.
- -Nash Hytor Vacuum Pump-300 C.F.M.
- 1-All Steel Tubular Heat Exchanger, 18" x 14'0" long.
- 1-C. I. Thermocoil Still, 1500 gallon capacity.



- 2-Ingersoll-Rand Turbine Blowers-3000 C.F.M.
- 2-J. H. Day Ointment Mixers.
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- 2-Dorr 15' Bowl Classifiers 1-Stutevant 36" Rock Emery Mill 1-Lehman type 5 Roll W.C. Steel Roller Mill, 75 H.P. motor driven
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- 1-W. & P. 9 gal. double arm mixer, 5 H.P. motor driven 12--Filter Presses, Iron, Wood & Rubber, 7" to 42" sq.
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- 1-Blystone 2000 lb. Jack. Horiz. Paddle Type Steel Mixer.
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- 1-Cherry-Burrell 300 gal. Homogenizer. -National Acme C 20 Centrifuge, Stainless Bowl. 1-
- 2-DeLaval Multiple Clarifiers, #300, #301, Motor Driven.
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- 3-4000 gal. vert. Acid Proof Tanks. 2--Tolhurst 26' & 40" Centrifugals, M.D. 2--Worthington 12" x 12" x 12" vac.
- Pumps 1-Schultz O'Neil 20" Pulverizer.
- 1-Williams #3 "Regular" Type Ham-mer Mill,
- 2--Double Roll Crusher, 10" D. x 14" F.
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