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## FEBRUARY MEETING

Speaker: Mr. Roger Harrison, Halibut Liver Oil Producers

Subject: The Vitamin A Industry

Time: 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 20, 1945

Place: Room 140, Bagley Hall, University of Washington, Campus

Dinner: 6:15 p.m. The Chalet, 1417 East 42nd St. (University District, just off the campus) \$1.50; phone reservations to MEloose 0630, Local 439, not later than noon, Monday, February 19th.

Mr. Harrison is eminently qualified to address us on this subject. He will survey the sources, production, and handling of Vitamin A and also will devote consideration to its chemistry.

## Program Committee

The Program Committee has been busy. Mr. H. R. Erickson has accepted the Chairmanship and with him are associated Dr. A. J. Norton, Dr. Quintin P. Peniston and Father Gerald Beezer. The Committee has recently met and suggested that meetings be held on the third Tuesday of each month throughout the year excluding July and August. The Committee hopes to be able to arrange a rather definite series of subjects and speakers for a considerable period in advance. Two forthcoming speakers are listed below. Some discussion took place as to the desirability of holding at least some meetings downtown. The Program Committee still solicits the names of local members who will address our Section.

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Mr. F. L. Cooper of Scientific Supplies Co. has accepted the Chairmanship of the Membership Committee and the following persons have consented to serve on this Committee: Mr. Dan Hayden, Tacoma; Mr. R. J. Campbell, Bremerton; Mr. Clarence Olson, Seattle; and Mr. Ron Benson, Seattle. We will probably soon hear more from this Committee, so please forward any suggestions as to persons who should be ACS members to them.

## Puget Sound Council of Engineering and Technical Societies

At the January meeting the Section voted to associate itself with the Puget Sound Council and Technical Societies and to empower the Executive Committee of our Section to appoint a representative and an alternate to sit with this Council. Mr. W.R. Moffitt and Dr. E.C. Lingafelter have accepted appointments as representative and alternate, respectively.

## VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE

Recently there has been received a pamphlet entitled, "Vocational Guidance in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering", written by an ACS committee for the guidance of students interested in preparing for the chemical profession and designed (1) to describe briefly chemistry and chemical engineering; (2) to present the work of the chemist and the chemical engineer; (3) to outline the preparation necessary for the profession; and, (4) to discuss some of the opportunities for work in these fields. Reprints of this article may be obtained from the Mack Printing Company, Easton, Penna. at 10 cents each; single copies are available free to chemistry teachers or students if an addressed and stamped 3-cent envelope is sent with the request to the secretary of the ACS, 1155 16th St., N.W., Washington 6, D.C.

## Questionnaire

As mentioned in the January issue of the "Puget Sound Chemist" an attempt is being made to complete the records of the Section and obtain information to permit preparation of a directory of members. In January there were sent out about 200 postcards requesting information and about 80 replies have thus far been received. To those who have not yet returned this Questionnaire, there is now being sent another postcard. It is hoped that a reply will be received from each member so that the membership directory can be completed in the near future.

## FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

March Meeting: (March 23) Mrs. Walter J. Murphy, Editor of Industrial and Engineering Magazine; "The Chemist's Responsibility in War and Peace".

April Meeting: (To be held on April 17th.) Dr. F.P. Zscheile, University of Chicago; "Spectrophotometry in the Study of Plant Pigments".