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THE CHICAGO MEETING OF THE INSTITUTE OF FOOD TECHNOLOGISTS

FINAL plans for the first annual meeting of the Institute of Food Technologists are taking definite form. As announced early in January, the meeting is to be held in the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, from June 17 to 19, inclusive. Registration will begin at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, June 16.

The technical sessions open at 9:30 A.M. on Monday, with a discussion of the "Process Engineering in Food Technology." Dr. L. V. Burton, editor of *Food Industries* and chairman of the session, will speak on "Engineering a Food Manufacturing Process"; W. L. Badger, of the Dow Chemical Company, on "Application of the Unit Operations of Chemical Engineering to the Food Industries"; G. T. Reich, of the Pennsylvania Sugar Company, on "Engineering a Continuous Evaporation and Hydrolysis Process," and Dr. N. E. Berry, of the General Foods Corporation, on "The Chemical Engineer Looks at a Food Process."

The Monday afternoon session will be presided over by the president of the institute, Professor Samuel C. Prescott, dean of science of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and will be devoted to a program of seven voluntary papers on food technology. Subjects ranging from mechanism of heat transfer, sanitary principles in dairy equipment design and germicidal efficiency of washing solutions for glass containers to moisture content of staple dietary foods, vitamin B₁ potency of malt and brewed beverages and securing food for an army complete the program for the session.

"The Effect of Processing on the Vitamin Content of Foods" will be discussed in a symposium under the chairmanship of Dr. George C. Supplee, of Borden and Company, when Dr. C. A. Elvehjem, of the University of Wisconsin, will discuss "The Nature of Vitamins with Particular Reference to the B Complex." Vitamins A, B₁, C, D and G will be taken up in turn and dealt with in respect to their stability under food-processing conditions.

Contrary to the procedure followed in the first three technical sessions, the Tuesday afternoon program will be presented in four divisions with each division having its own program of six or seven papers with meetings held concurrently. Division A will discuss problems and practices relative to the packaging of foods; Division B will deal with the technology of food preservation with emphasis on the chemical aspect of the subject; Division C, while spending some time on methods of analysis, will focus attention on the control of unit operations in food processing; Division D will

emphasize the microbiology of foods with respect to flavor development and preservation factors.

A smoker is planned for Monday evening. All men registrants at the meeting will be guests of the Chicago group. The annual dinner will be given on Tuesday evening. The last day has been reserved for plant visits in the Chicago area.

EXHIBITION OF THE WORKS OF LEONARDO DA VINCI

THE exhibition of the works of Leonardo da Vinci, held for over a year in the Palace of Arts in Milan, Italy, is being brought to the United States. Eighteen large roomfuls of material pertaining to his life and work, including working models of his inventions and his works of art, were shipped on April 30 on the *Barberigo* from Genoa. The exhibition will first be shown to the American public at New York's Museum of Science and Industry in Radio City and will be opened to the public in the early part of June.

Three years were spent by the Italian Government in assembling the exhibition, many items of which, such as the fourteen volumes of Leonardo's original autograph writings and his studies for works of art lost or unfinished, have for centuries remained in private collections. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been spent by the Italian Government in building models of one hundred and seventy of Leonardo's scientific inventions, which range from an apparatus for measuring the earth to a heat-operated roasting oven. All these inventions, including his plans for flying machines, his submarine, his differential gear for vehicles and other features of modern life, conceived 400 years ago, will be represented by full-size or scale models made from his own drawings and specifications, which will be exhibited together with the models themselves. The announcement points out:

Most popularly known as the painter of the "Mona Lisa" and the "Last Supper," Leonardo da Vinci was centuries ahead of his age in every department of art and science he put his mind to. In the days when ships were propelled by wind and oars he understood the power of steam. He planned cities of the future with superimposed highways, and designed circular forts with underground passages that are not a far cry from France's Maginot Line or Germany's West Wall. A hundred years before Gutenberg was born he had invented a printing press; his anatomical studies with Antonio della Torre, of Pavia, revolutionized the world of medicine. He was a great biologist, physicist and musician. He even invented a diving apparatus, but refused to disclose his plans to any one because, as he said, man's "wickedness and ferocity" would enable him to walk on the bed of the ocean and do damage to ships and those sailing in them.

One of the features of the New York exhibition, ac-