

News of the Month

John C. Whitaker, chairman of the Reynolds company board, informed U-T of the grant, expressing the board's desire "to have a part in this important tobacco research program."

Frank S. Chance, vice director of the U-T Agricultural Experiment Station, said the grant will aid present projects being conducted at the Greeneville station, which includes improvement of smoking qualities of Burley tobacco through breeding, fertilization, and crop rotation.

Closing Date for D&O Meat Packing Award Extended

Dodge & Olcott has announced that the closing date for nominations for its annual award for outstanding achievement in the meat packing industry will be extended to Aug. 1. The 60-day extension was made in order to provide ample time this initial year. The award was established last year and announced during the American Meat Institute convention. It will be presented for the first time this year.

Persons who have contributed contributions to the growth and general welfare of the meat packing industry in area of scientific research, operations, and en-

gineering, will be eligible for nomination. Seven copies of each nomination should be sent to: Achievement Award, Dodge & Olcott, Inc., 180 Varick St., New York 14. A panel of six judges will select the recipient.

PEOPLE

Hoerner Appointed Manager of Armour's Chemical Division



J. M. Hoerner

has been appointed general manager of Armour & Co.'s chemical division. He succeeds F. B. Patton who becomes general manager of Armour auxiliaries. Hoerner joined Armour in 1953 as director of sales and purchases for the division. Previously, he was with Atlantic Refining.

Richard G. Henninger has joined Hazelton Laboratories as general manager.

D. S. Parham has been appointed gen-

eral superintendent of fertilizer production for American Agricultural Chemical Co. He was formerly general superintendent of maintenance for the company.

K. Starr Chester has resigned from his position as consultant with Batelle Memorial Institute to accept the position of technical advisor to the managing vice president of Alton Box Board Co., Alton, Ill.

Pierre F. Gunder and James A. Long, Jr., have joined the research and development division of Davison Chemical. Mr. Gunder has been with National Lead. Mr. Long was with W. C. Hamilton & Sons.

Sterling D. Olsen, USDA soil scientist at Fort Collins, Colo., has been awarded a 1955 Hoblitzelle National Agricultural Award for his development of a method for estimating the amount of soil phosphorus available to plants. The award consisted of \$5000 and a gold medal.


Central laboratories of General Foods, Hoboken, has announced the promotion of Harold Rafson to project leader in engineering research. New appointments as associate technologists are Robert E. Hayes and Maurice S. Fagan in product development, and Robert E. Shallenberger in organic chemistry. Arthur N. Kesselhaut has been named junior technologist in product development.

Ulysses C. Gramsch, chief chemist of Falstaff Brewing Corp., St. Louis, Mo., was elected president of the American Society of Brewing Chemists at the Society's annual meeting in Philadelphia. Mr. Gramsch has been active in ASBC as secretary, vice president, and president-elect.

Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp. has named Gordon Grand as vice president for administration, W. J. Heckman as vice president for purchasing and transportation, R. E. McCormick as vice president and secretary of the corporation, and D. G. Ward as assistant vice president for purchasing and transportation and director of transportation.

W. A. Wood of the University of Illinois dairy science dept. has received the Eli Lilly prize for his fundamental research in the fields of amino acid and carbohydrate metabolism and the mechanisms of vitamin synthesis by bacteria. The \$1000 prize and citation scroll were presented by the Society of American Bacteriologists at the annual meeting in New York. The award is made annually to a scientist under 35 years of age for achievements in research in bacteriology.

Robert W. Crabtree has been named to the newly created position of manager. nitrogen products sales, for Hercules Powder. He has been sales manager for nitrogen products sales in San Francisco.



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Howard Barkell, vice president of Phelps Dodge Refining Corp., has been elected to the board of directors of the company. Also elected to the board is **Charles H. Winship, Jr.**, sales manager of Phelps Dodge and Phelps Dodge Refining.

Melvin Hochberg has been promoted from head of the vitamin products laboratory for Nopco Chemical to director of research and production of the company's vitamin products division.

James E. Adams, of the agronomy department at Texas A&M, has been appointed dean of the school of agriculture there. He succeeds **Charles N. Sheppardson**, who resigned to accept an appointment as member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Henry B. Hass, president of Sugar Research Foundation, has been awarded the 1955 honor scroll of the New York chapter of the American Institute of Chemists.

Mark B. Stringfellow has left Nopco Chemical, where he was manager of the plastics division, to become manager of market development for Spencer Chemical.

Henry F. Dever, president of Brown Instruments Division of Minneapolis Honeywell Regulator, has been elected president of the Scientific Apparatus Makers Association.

J. M. F. Leaper has been appointed to the newly created post of consultant on agricultural chemical to American Chemical Paint Co. He has been chief chemist of the company's agricultural and chemical division.

Thomas F. Cleary, formerly vice president and director of research for Chemagro Corp., has joined Philip J. Lo Bue Co. as sales manager for fine chemical intermediates.

Lawrence Lynn, recently with the research department of Celanese, has joined General Foods as assistant laboratory director for engineering and commercial development at the central laboratories in Hoboken. **Irving R. Chandler**, formerly with the company's Maxwell House Division, has transferred to the central laboratories as project leader in engineering research.

Rudolph Groth-Marnat, formerly Southern California manager of the import-export division of Grace & Co., has joined Brea Chemicals to become manager of export sales.

Charles H. Kline has been named manager of the newly created chemical development division of Climax Molybdenum Co.

Lawrence Zeleny, chief of the Standardizing and Testing Branch, Grain Division, USDA, has been named president-elect of the American Association of Cereal Chemists. Other new officers are **Clinton L. Booke** of Merck, secretary; and **W. B. Bradley** of the American Institute of Baking and **Marjorie Howe** of Russell-Miller Milling, members of the executive committee.

Wayne D. Wegrich, formerly sales engineer for Minnesota Mining, has been appointed manager of the Waco, Tex., plant of Diamond Black Leaf Co.

DEATHS

George W. Macpherson Phillips, chemical engineer at USDA's Eastern Utilization Research Branch, Wyndmoor, Pa., died April 24 at the age of 67. Mr. Phillips joined EURB in 1941, after various positions with Du Pont, American Cyanamid, W. M. Grosvenor Laboratories, and companies in the field of sugar refining. During the War, he worked on recovery of natural rubber from guayule and various other plants. He was an authority on heat transfer processes in food technology.

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