

## Volunteer papers

Volunteer papers may be submitted for presentation in poster sessions at the Second World Conference on Detergents to be held Oct. 5-10, 1986, in Montreux, Switzerland.

The conference is designed to provide a detailed update on the technical, economic, legislative and commercial trends for the detergent industry in the 1990s. An international organizing committee, headed by Ted Matson of Vista Chemical Co. and Adolf de Jong of Unilever N.V., has been working during the past three years to identify topics and select speakers for the plenary program, which will consist solely of invited papers.

The committee realizes that time constraints for plenary sessions preclude covering all topics in as much detail as some registrants might wish, so they are scheduling additional scientific papers as

poster presentations. Chairman for the poster sessions will be Fred Hogeman of Ethyl Corp. Persons who wish to make a poster presentation should submit an abstract by June 15, 1986, to: Fred Hogeman, Ethyl Corporation, 451 Florida St., Baton Rouge, LA 70801, USA.

Specific instructions for poster presentations will be mailed after June 15 to those persons whose abstracts are accepted. Generally, authors are asked to post their material about mid-morning on the day of presentation, then be available for approximately two hours that afternoon to explain their work and answer questions.

The first such world conference was held 10 years ago in Montreux. The second conference, in essence, is modeled on the first and designed to provide a new generation of industry executives and researchers with the latest available information.

## SDA officers

A. Courtenay Shepard, corporate vice-president and general manager of Colgate-United States, Colgate-Palmolive Co., has been re-elected chairman of the Soap and Detergent Association (SDA).

Other SDA officers re-elected at the association's annual meeting in Boca Raton, Florida, earlier this year include John W. Johnstone, president of Olin Corp., as vice-chairman, and Theodore E. Brenner, SDA staff, as president and secretary.

SDA vice-president Robert C. Singer, who had supervised the association's government, consumer and public affairs activities, retired Feb. 2 from the SDA staff but is serving as a senior counselor to SDA. Alan B. Smith, director of government affairs, has been named to take Singer's responsibilities as manager of the Industrial and

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Institutional Division, while Mildred Gallik, director of consumer affairs, has been directed to take on his tasks as manager of SDA's Household Division.

Robert F. Bartlett of The Hewitt Soap Co. succeeded William Weston, who retired, as treasurer, while June A. Stahl of Stahl Soap Corp. succeeded Bartlett as assistant treasurer.

Directors re-elected for 1986 include AOCS members Allen H. Howland of the Original Bradford Soap Works Inc., Charles A. Aldag of Sherex Chemical Co. Inc. and James A. Hartlage of Stepan Co.

## Phosphate ban

The District of Columbia has joined seven states in banning the sale of household detergents containing phosphates.

With the exception of dishwasher detergents, cleaning agents with more than 0.5% elemental phosphorus will no longer be allowed for home use. Higher concentrations of phosphorus also will be allowed in detergents used to clean health care, food processing, beverage and dairy equipment. Commercial and institutional laundries serving health care facilities also are exempt.

The ban is scheduled to take effect in September after the proposal has undergone congressional review. Currently Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Vermont and Wisconsin have statewide bans on phosphates.

## Sulfonamides

Akzo Chemie America, a U.S. division of the multinational Akzo

Group, took over all activities related to Monsanto Company's sulfonamides business on Feb. 1. In December, Monsanto sold its assets and inventory and ceased production of the sulfonamides at the Queeny plant in St. Louis, Missouri.

Akzo will sell Monsanto's "San-ticizer" 8 and 9 and "Santolite" MHP and MS80 under the names "Ketjenflex" 8, 9 and MS80. Once stock is depleted, Akzo will replenish it with products from its European production sites. The company has expanded European production to meet U.S. market demands; no plans have been made to begin production in the U.S.

## Ceca adds capacity

Ceca, a subsidiary of Elf Aquitaine, will double its capacity to produce amino fats with the addition of a manufacturing plant in Feuchy-Les-Arras, France. The \$10.5 million plant will enable Ceca to produce 30,000 tons of fatty amines per year.

The company is France's sole producer of fatty amines. According to a *European Chemical News* report, Ceca currently holds 50% of the domestic market and 30% of the European market.

## Aerosol symposium

The New York Chapter, Society of Cosmetic Chemists, will hold a one-day symposium on aerosol technology. The symposium will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 26, 1986, in the Wilson Auditorium, School of Dentistry, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Teaneck, New Jersey.

The symposium will review basic aerosol technology and new developments in packaging and products. Topics and speakers include: Aerosol Propellants, by Harry B. McCain, Aeropres Corp.; Selecting an Aerosol Packaging System, William Gregg, Precision Valve Corp.; Formulating Aerosol Products, Dotti Valise, Avon Products Inc.; Enhanced Aerosol Antiperspirants, Jack Margres, Reheis Chemical Co.; Hairspray Polymer Formulations and Trends, Frank

Nowak, National Starch and Chemical Corp.; and New Aerosol Technology, Fred Metzler, American Cyanamid Co.

A \$15 registration fee includes lunch. For more information, contact Maria Pak, Noville, 1312 5th St., North Bergen, NJ 07047, telephone 201-867-9080.

## Detergent additives

A research report by Frost & Sullivan on the petroleum additive industry notes that detergents/dispersants, viscosity index improvers and extreme pressure/antiwear agents comprised over 70% of the total volume and almost 60% of the total value of additives in 1985. The study said the additive market is closely tied to the fortunes of the automobile industry. For information about the report, "Petroleum Additives Market in the U.S.," contact Frost & Sullivan Inc., 106 Fulton St., New York, NY 10038.

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## News briefs

Henkel's Brazilian subsidiary and Brazil's Ultra group have agreed to invest \$36 million to produce fatty alcohols and fatty acids for the domestic and Latin American markets. This plant would be the first of its kind in South America.

AOCS member Norman R. Smith of Stepan Co. has been elected to the board of directors of the Chemical Specialties Manufacturers Association.

Armour-Dial Inc. changed its name to The Dial Corp. on Jan. 27, 1986. Edward J. Walsh, president and chief executive officer of the former Armour-Dial Inc., said the name change reflects the need to create a more representative corporate iden-

tity after the company's 1985 purchase of Purex. The Dial Corp., which markets laundry, household and food products, had \$900 million in combined sales in 1985.

Witco Corp. has expanded sales service for its organics division by adding a distributor network. The distributor firms will be in all U.S. regions and are expected to complement the division's direct sales of surfactants, metallic stearates, waxes, defoamers and aqueous urethane dispersions.

Peter W. Kopf, formerly a group leader for research and development programs in coatings, solvents and specialty chemical applications at Union Carbide, has joined Arthur D. Little Inc. as a senior consultant in the company's product technology section.

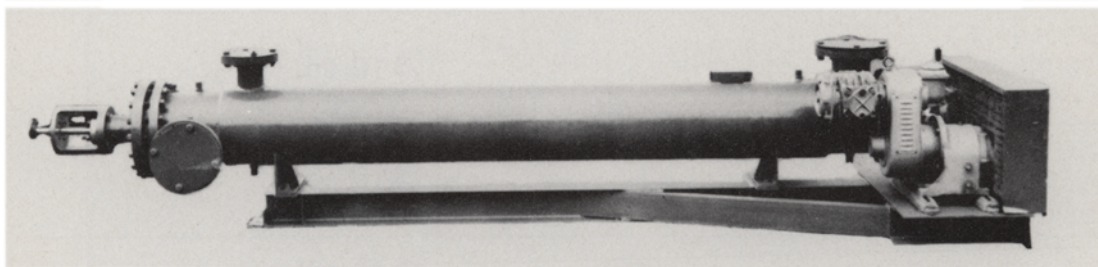
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