



## Renfrew Joins Faculty at University of Idaho

**M**ALCOLM M. RENFREW has been appointed professor of chemistry and head of the department of physical sciences at the University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho. He will assume these duties on February 1, 1959, following a trip to Europe to visit the physical science departments of universities and colleges in several countries.

Dr. Renfrew has been director of research and development for Spencer Kellogg and Sons, Buffalo, N. Y., since 1954 and has served in similar capacities for E. I. du Pont de Nemours and General Mills. He is the author of 21 technical papers and holds numerous patents in the chemical field.

In joining the faculty at the University of Idaho, Dr. Renfrew will return to his alma mater, from which he was graduated in 1932 and received his master's degree in 1934. He was awarded a Ph.D. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1938. While doing advanced work, he was a teaching assistant at both Idaho and Minnesota.

## Convention News in December

Because the November issue of the *Journal of the American Oil Chemists' Society* had to be closed prior to the fall meeting October 20-22, 1958, in Chicago, full coverage of technical sessions and social events by word and picture will be published in the December issue. S. S. Chang, A. E. Staley Manufacturing Company, Decatur, Ill., served as reporter for the meeting.

## Schweigert to Speak

On December 3, 1958, B. S. Schweigert, director of research and education for the American Meat Institute Foundation, Chicago, will speak at the dinner meeting of the North Central Section at the Builders' club in Chicago.

For the opening program on October 1 the speaker was J. C. Konen, president of the American Oil Chemists' Society and vice president and research director, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Minneapolis, Minn. He emphasized the phases of research on chemicals derived from fats.

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## FPVPC Elects Officers

Installed as the 37th president of the Federation of Paint and Varnish Productions Clubs during the 36th annual meeting in Cleveland in October was Howard G. Sholl, of the C. M. Athey Paint Company, Baltimore, Md. Named as president-elect was Raymond C. Adams, Gilman Paint and Varnish Company, Chattanooga, Tenn.

## Transfers Castor Bean Study

**A**N EXPANDED PROGRAM of research aimed at finding new and improved uses for castor-bean oil and other castor products will be undertaken at the Western Utilization Research and Development Division, U.S.D.A., Albany, Calif. Research on castor beans has previously been conducted at the Southern Utilization Research and Development Division, New Orleans, La.

The growing interest in castor beans as a crop for California and the southwest was a major factor in the decision to shift the expanded program to the western division. Castor research already under way in the southern division will continue through December 1958, when personnel and facilities on this work will begin research on other new crops with industrial possibilities.

Southern Division findings have contributed to the use of castor oil in the manufacture of foam plastics, and a new solvent-extraction process eliminates the need for prepressing seeds of high oil content. The southern and eastern divisions have made substantial progress toward destroying or inactivating ricin and an allergen, which remain in the meal or pomace after oil extraction, making it unfit for use as livestock feed or in industrial products. The western division will continue this work.

At present there are castor bean varieties particularly adapted to irrigated culture in California and Arizona, and others to dry land conditions in Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Texas.

## New Members . . .

### Active

- Donald P. Arndtsen, sales engineer, De Laval Separator Company, Chicago, Ill.  
Albert Edward Cheadle, supervisor, Baker Research Laboratory, Canada Packers Ltd., Toronto, Ont., Canada  
Martel M. Gladstone, manager, Technical Service, Emulsol Chemical Corporation, Chicago, Ill.  
Roger A. Lutz Jr., chemist, C. F. Sauer Company, Richmond, Va.  
Edward T. McBroom, supervisor, Control Laboratory, Chemurgy Division, Central Soya Company, Chicago, Ill.  
Olav Notevarp, professor, Norwegian Institute of Technology, Trondheim, Norway  
Alan T. Ossermann, supervisor, Process Development, Grace Research and Development, Baltimore, Md.  
Clyde A. Radel, chemist, Refinery Pilot Plant, Armour and Company, Chicago, Ill.  
James Benjamin Scoggins, assistant manager, Hahn Laboratories, Columbia, S. C.  
Harold B. White Jr., postdoctorate fellow—assistant professor (temporary), Department of Biochemistry, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

### Individual Associate

- Earl J. Cecil, general manager, Ranchers Cotton Oil, Fresno, Calif.  
Montel Montgomery, manager, Los Angeles Branch, Martin, Hoyt and Milne, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Karl A. Perkins, sales manager, National Southern Products Corporation, Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
A. R. Pinnington, technical sales manager, Pembina Mountain Clays Ltd., Winnipeg, Man., Canada  
John Votel Rush, technical representative, Sterwin Chemicals Inc., Evanston, Ill.  
John J. Werner, sales, Penola Oil Company, Detroit, Mich.

### Corporation Associate

- M. J. Carpinello Inc., Michael J. Carpinello, president and treasurer, New York, N. Y.