

People & Places



C.A. Johnson

physical refining system in the Philippines. . . **Sullivan Systems, Inc.**, handled the design and start-up of A.E. Staley's new hydrogenation system in Decatur, IL; the fully automated system has a capacity of six tank cars per day. ●

PEOPLE

Alan H. Boulton has been named associate research director in product development for the Foster D. Snell Division of Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Inc. . . . **Robert J. Milano**, former group vice president of Kewanee Industries Inc. and chairman of its executive committee, has been elected president of The Chemists' Club. . . . **Thomas J. Jelinski** is now product manager for the Industrial Chemical Department of The Harshaw Chemical Co. . . . **Diamond Shamrock's Nutrition and Animal Health Division** has named **Cornell A. Johnson** as manager of food and drug regulatory affairs. . . . **Emery Industries Inc.** has named **Allen W. Brown** as vice president of manufacturing and **Robert B. Hutchison** as director of corporate research. . . . **Cyclo Chemicals Corp.** has named **Hector Brown** as manager of technical services. . . . **Wilson F. Gum Jr.** is now director of research and development for the Dow Chemical U.S.A. Organic Chemicals Department, and **Ronald H. Yocum** is director of product research for Dow U.S.A. . . . **Frank E. Sullivan**, vice president and director of engineering for Sullivan Systems, Inc., and **Gunnar Haraldsson**, Alfa-Laval's senior research engineer in Tumba, Sweden, participated in a one-day palm oil industry conference during May in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. . . . **Dr. Anson R. Bertrand**, formerly dean of the College of Agricultural Science at Texas Tech University, has taken over as head of the USDA's Science and Education Administration. . . . **French Oil Mill Machinery Co.** has named **Wendell E. Mann** as a Midwest-area sales representative for its solvent extraction, oil mill press room, and rendering equipment. . . . **Joseph D. Shroder** has been appointed director of market development in Eastern Europe for the American Soybean Association effective Aug. 15, 1978. . . . **Robert A. Barford**, research chemist at the USDA's Eastern Regional Research Center, has received the 1978 Honor Scroll Award from the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Institute of Chemists.

PLACES

The Chemicals Division of **Pfizer Inc.** has announced the opening of its new technical service center in Groton, CT, to provide better service on product applications and in new product and applications development. . . . **Durkee Industrial Foods Group/SCM Corporation** has opened a new facility in Sharonville, OH, to keep up with demands for custom-blended seasonings. . . . **Witco Chemical Corp.** has announced plans for a multi-million dollar expansion of its sulfonate facilities at its Sonneborn Division's Gretna, LA, plant and awarded a contract to **Foster Wheeler** for the design engineering and equipment procurement for a new hydrogenation unit for white oils manufacture at the Gretna, LA, facility. . . . **EMI Corp.** has sold a coconut oil physical refining system to **Lu Do & Lu Ym Corp.** of Cebu City, Philippines, for production of deodorized edible oil from crude coconut oil; it will be the first coconut oil

Cavanagh to head 1979 meeting panel



Former AOCS President **George Cavanagh** has been named general chairman for the 1979 Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA.

Cavanagh replaces **Richard Purdy** who had to resign because of a recently developed schedule conflict. Cavanagh served as AOCS president in 1969. He first joined AOCS in 1941. He is chief chemist and research director for Ranchers Cotton Oil in Fresno, CA.

Other newly named committee members are **Mike Neale**, of Dow Chemical Co. in Walnut Creek, CA, as financial officer, and **Peter Little**, of PVO, as local exhibit chairman.

The 1979 Annual Meeting will be held April 29 - May 3, 1979, in the Fairmont Hotel. It is a joint meeting with the Japan Oil Chemists' Society. ●

Erickson to join ASA



Dr. David R. Erickson, an AOCS member since 1963, will join the American Soybean Association this month as a technical director for the ASA soy oil marketing program.

Dr. Erickson had been director of science services at the Swift & Co. research and development center in Oak Brook, IL. With the ASA, **Dr. Erickson** will provide technical assistance to the ASA domestic soy oil program and to fats and oils technicians and operatives in foreign countries.

He has been an active member of AOCS, serving as a speaker at the 1978 Short Course on Processing and Quality Control of Fats and Oils and was a member of the local committee for the 1976 Fall Meeting in Chicago. He also has served as an officer in the North Central Section. ●