

### Graci joins SRRC

Angelo V. Graci has accepted a research position with the Department of Agriculture's Southern Regional Research Center in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Mr. Graci was formerly vice president and general manager of the Wurster & Sanger Division of Jacobs Engineering Co. in Chicago, and for the past two years, an independent consultant serving the vegetable oil processing industries worldwide.

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### Butz to address NRA

Dr. Earl L. Butz, former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, will be keynote speaker for the 1978 National Renderers Association convention to be held Oct. 30-Nov. 3, 1978, in Houston, TX.

The first three days of the meeting are used for committee meetings and directors' meetings. Butz will speak Nov. 1 to the kick-off luncheon on "Carter, Congress and Commodities."

Further information on the meeting is available from the NRA, 3150 Des Plaines Ave., Des Plaines, IL 60018.

### M.S. Schwitzer retires

M.S. Schwitzer, an AOCS member since 1952, has retired as director for Akzo Chemie U.S. Ltd., Armour Hess Division. He will remain affiliated with the firm as a technical adviser while also becoming a consultant specializing in fatty acids, their derivatives, and in surfactants. He will work from his home at 33 Shepherds Hill, Highgate, London.

# Codex fats and oils panel to meet Dec. 4

The Codex Committee on Fats and Oils is scheduled to hold its 10th session from Dec. 4-8, at Hoare Memorial Hall, Church House, in London, England.

Ten specific items of business are listed on the provisional agenda: (1) the FAO Food and Nutrition Paper "Dietary Fats and Oils in Human Consumption"; (2) continued work on the general standard for edible fats and oils not covered by specific standards; (3) continued work on proposed standard for low-fat margarines; (4) draft standards for low-erucic acid rapeseed oil; (5) draft standards for coconut oil, palm oil, palm kernel oil, grapeseed oil, and babassu oil; (6) standards for olive oils; (7) identifying fats and oils using GLC profiles; (8) identity characteristics based on sterol ranges; (9) review of analytical methods in current standards and in draft standards; and (10) a discussion of what standards should say about catalysts and other processing aids, if they should say anything.

Most of the topics listed are continuations, except consideration of the FAO report on dietary fats and oils in nutrition. The committee secretariat reviewed the report for specific effect on committee work and generally concluded that more information was needed in relation to specific recommendations in the report before the committee could take action.

## Frank Norris retires

Former AOCS President Frank A. Norris retired this summer from Kraft Inc. Research and Development where he was associate manager for the edible oils products section.

Dr. Norris served as AOCS president in 1973. He also had served as vice-president, treasurer, and as a member-at-large on the Governing Board, as well as on numerous committees including membership, and long range planning. He has been an active member of the North Central Section. He originally joined AOCS in 1942.

He had been with Kraft for the past 12 years, having worked before that for Swift & Co. and for General Mills.

His immediate plans are to finish revising chapters for a new edition of Bailey's Industrial Fats and Oils, followed by a vacation trip to the South before returning to his home in Glenview, IL, where he is treasurer and a violinist in the Northwest Symphony Orchestra. Later he may undertake some consulting work.