

## Awards presented at Durkee

Durkee Foods, Division of SCM Corporation, recently recognized six employees for outstanding work done in the area of technical and scientific achievement and seven employees who were awarded patents. In addition, the company has announced recent staff changes and appointments.

Those receiving scientific and technical achievement awards were Mark H. Otterson, Steven M. Rikon, Douglas W. Perkins, Robert R. Delaney, Himus S. Sims and Juris A. Kelers. Those who received awards for patents were A.V. Petricca, A.S. Hodgson, Edmund H. Becker, Robert O. Lindstrom, C.E. Rule, D.E. Miller and E.E. Werstak.

Appointments included Christine L. Ford and Donald E. Kindstrand as technical sales representatives for the Midwest region and Wendy S. Thompson and J. Scott Benincasa as territorial sales representatives for the Midwest region.

Also in the Midwest region, Robert O. Benson was named a bulk sales field representative. Denis F. Mochan was appointed to the position of market manager—Europe and Charles E. Rule has become manager—national technical service. In addition, Millard M. Evak has been appointed vice-president of trading and Kim W. Kuback has been appointed manager of national accounts and technical service, Eastern region. □

## IFT confers honors

Dr. F. Jack Francis, professor of food science at the University of Massachusetts, was named president of the Institute of Food Technologists, a 20,000-member scientific society, at the organization's 40th annual meeting held in June in New Orleans. Dr. John C. Ayres, professor of food science at the University of Georgia, was presented the 1980 International Award at the IFT meeting. □

## Pomeranz receives Wiley Award

Dr. Yeshajahu Pomeranz, director of the U.S. Grain Marketing Research Center in Manhattan, KS, has been selected to receive the 1980 Wiley Award by the Association of Official Analytical Chemists. Pomeranz will present his acceptance address at the AOAC 94th Annual meeting, scheduled at the Marriott Twin Bridges Hotel in Washington, DC, on Oct. 20-23, 1980. □

## Appointments

Firmineich, Inc. has announced the appointments of **Peter Mueller** as account manager within the Flavor Division and **George MacDonald Birtwistle** as manager, marketing and evaluation, Flavor Division... **Halsey F. Smith** has been elected senior vice-president of equipment sales of Foster Wheeler Corporation and will also serve in the same position

for the subsidiary, Foster Wheeler Energy Corporation... **David L. Shaw** has joined the engineering staff of EMI Corporation as project manager... Celanese Corporation has announced the election of **B.A. Bridgewater, Jr.**, as a member of its Board of Directors... **Frank J. Vitale** has joined Emery Industries Inc. as technical sales representative for the firm's Fatty and Dibasic Acids Group... Pfizer International has announced changes in its senior management: **Barry MacTaggart**, formerly executive vice-president of the company, has been named president; succeeding him as executive vice-president is **M. William Roche**, president of Pfizer Europe, who also was elected a vice-president of the parent company, Pfizer Inc; succeeding Roche as president of Pfizer Europe is **Robert Neimeth**, vice-president and director of operations of Pfizer Laboratories. Neimeth also has been named a vice-president of Pfizer International... **Charles H. Elster** has been named assistant corporate technical director of Lonza Inc. of Fair Lawn, NH, and **James Richardson** is now northwestern regional sales manager for the specialty chemical division of the firm... Norda Inc. has appointed **Duff Scott** perfumer in the corporation's fragrance division... Emery Industries, Inc. has promoted **Paul Van Nortwick** to product manager, Fatty and Dibasic Acids Group... **Louis E. Azzato** has been elected an executive vice-president of Foster Wheeler Corporation... Patco Products, a division of C.J. Patterson Co., Kansas City, MO, has named **James R. France** market development manager and **Fred Baiocchi** has become senior chemist in the food applications laboratory. Both assignments are in the company's food ingredients group.



de Vries

## de Vries to manage Acidchem

Roy J. de Vries has been named general manager for Acidchem (M) Sdn Bhd, a fatty acid firm that is part of the Palmco Group of Malaysia. de Vries formerly was managing director of Alkaryl Chemicals (UK) Ltd.

Acidchem's fully integrated fatty acid and glycerine plant came on-stream during July. The plant will operate on palm, palm kernel and coconut oils, producing about 30,000 tons of fatty acids each year.

de Vries has worked in the fatty chemical industry