Oilseed meeting in Buenos Aires

The VII Simposio Nacional and the IV Latinamericano de Oleaginosos conference will be held Nov. 17-19, 1980, in the Bolsa de Cereales headquarters in Buenos Aires, Argentina

Past meetings have attracted representatives of the producers, processors and users of oilseed products. Details are available from: Oficina de Coordinacion, Correintes 127 - 2° Piso, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Oil palm meeting in 1981

An international conference covering all aspects of oil palm from breeding through final product usage has been tentatively scheduled for June 17-20, 1981, in Kuala Lumpur. Sponsors will be The Palm Oil Research Institute of Malaysia and the Incorporated Society of Planters.

Topics will range from development of new varieties, through agronomic practices, pest and disease control, harvesting, processing, effluent treatment, processing of oil, products and their uses, and economics and marketing.

An initial circular on the conference is available from the Conference Secretary, c/o Incorporated Society of Planters, PO Box 262, Kuala Lumpur 01-02, Malaysia. People wishing to present papers on a relevant topic should indicate that topic. Potential attendees also should indicate if they would be interested in visiting plantations and refineries, research institutes, or refining, bulking and shipping complexes.

Call for papers

The Second World Congress of Chemical Engineering and World Chemical Exposition, "Chemical Engineering for World Development," Oct. 4-9, 1981, in Montreal, Canada, will be cosponsored by the Interamerican Confederation of Chemical Engineering, European Federation of Chemical Engineering and Asian Pacific Confederation of Chemical Engineering. Subjects include: economic and technological outlooks, international cooperation, energy development and utilization, reaction engineering, environmental chemical engineering, polymer engineering, biomedical engineering and biochemical engineering. Name, address and five copies of a 300-word abstract must be submitted to the Congress Secretariat by Oct. 1, 1980. For information write: Congress Secretariat, 2nd World Congress of Chemical Engineering, 151 Slater St., Suite 906, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1P 5H3.

Local Sections

Pelick receives Northeast award

The AOCS Northeast Section presented its 1980 Professional Service Award to Nicholas Pelick, president of Supelco Inc., at the group's opening meeting of the fall season. The meeting was held Sept. 9 at the Robin Hood Inn in Clifton, NJ.

Pelick spoke on current and future trends in chromatography, with emphasis on triglyceride analysis using both gas liquid chromatography and thin layer chromatography.

A veteran, active member of the Northeast Section, Pelick also has served on the AOCS Governing Board and numerous AOCS committees, including Biochemical Methods, Education and Award in Lipid Chemistry. He was the recipient of the AOCS Award of Merit in 1978. Pelick also is chairman of the AOCS Foundation committee. He spoke briefly to the Northeast Section on the Foundation proposal to compile international fats and oils methods into a single publication.

Pelick also served as chairman of a speakers' fundraising committee that solicited contributions from industry to help defray costs of foreign speakers attending the recent ISF/AOCS World Congress in New York City. $\hfill\Box$

Obesity symposium to be December 9

The AOCS Northeast Section will hold its annual one-day symposium on Tuesday, Dec. 9, 1980, featuring a series of papers on obesity and its relationship to dietary fat.

General chairman is Mark Bieber, senior nutritionist at Best Foods Division of CPC International in Union, NJ. Program chairman is David Kritchevsky of The Wistar Institute in Philadelphia.

The tentative location selected is the Howard Johnson's facility in Saddlebrook, NJ, but final arrangements had not been completed as of late July. Program details as well as registration material and final arrangements will be published in the October *JAOCS*. Northeast Section members will receive details and registration forms in late October or early November. Other persons wishing to have information mailed to them should write to Obesity and Dietary Fat, AOCS, 508 S. Sixth St., Champaign, IL 61820 USA. □