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served as a consultant. The majority of her time is spent at her country home in eastern New York state. She has many interests, from gardening, refinishing antique furniture and jogging to exploring local haunts and traveling to such places as Russia, Yugoslavia, Italy, Spain, New Zealand, Tahiti and throughout the United States. Her greatest joys, she confides, are her children and grandchildren and companionship of friends. Her five grandchildren—four boys and one girl—range

in age from 7 to 16.

She is proud of the work AOCS has accomplished and its contributions to the scientific community and the fats and oils field. "As a professional society, AOCS is outstanding as its members are friendly, cordial, responsive. They are professionals, really dedicated, and at the same time, very human, sensitive and concerned. Life-long friendships have grown from personal contacts made at society meetings."

AOCS' first woman member

The first woman to hold active membership in AOCS joined in 1927. She was Rosalind U. Norris, chief chemist at Richard Hellman Inc. in New York City.

Miss Norris was graduated from Columbia University in 1918 with a B.S. degree. She had nine years' practical experience in food chemistry at the time of her enrollment in AOCS. She died in

1930 in Levesinet, France while traveling in Europe with her sister. Richard Hellman Inc. was a division of General Foods. In 1932, there was a merger of the mayonnaise interests of Best Foods Co., Gold Dust subsidiary, and Richard Hellman Inc. The resulting corporation was named Best Foods.

North East symposium

"Chromatography and Spectroscopy Methods of Analysis of Fats, Oils and Detergents" will be the theme for the North East Section's full-day symposium on Tuesday, March 20, 1984, at the Sheraton Hotel, Newark, New Jersey.

Speakers will include Vincent Luciano of Jarrel-Ash Company on "Analysis of Trace Metals in Lubricating Oils," Ken Rose, Exxon Corporation, on NMR Spectroscopy;" Harold Robinson, Lever Brothers, on "Surfactant Chromatography;" David Peters, Analect Corporation, on "F.T.I.R. Spectroscopy" and E.G. Perkins, University of Illinois, on "Chromatography."

Further details and registration information are available from Deborah Meiners, Best Foods Corporation, 1120 Commerce Ave., Union, NJ 07083 (201-688-9000).

1983 Additions, Revisions

The 1983 additions and revision to AOCS official methods book is scheduled to be mailed to subscribers during January. Persons who are not subscribers may order copies for \$20 a set from AOCS, 508 S. Sixth St., Champaign, IL 61820, USA.

The following methods are revised from tentative to official methods for 1983/84: Ab 6-68; Ai 1-80; Ba 8-78; Ba 12-75; Ca 13-56; Ca 15-75; Ca 18-79; Cc 18-80; Cd 15-78; Tf 4a-77; Ty 1a-76.

One new method is included: Aa 8-83 replaces Aa 8-71 (aflatoxins). There are two new recommended practices for flavor analysis, Cg 1-83 and Cg 2-83. Cd 16-81 has been changed from a recommended practice to an official method.

Editorial improvements in references were made to the following methods: Cb 4-35; Cc 13b-45; Cd 11-57; Db 11-48; Tb 2a-64; and Tc 1a-64.

Cautionary statements are now provided for Cd 1-25; Da 15-48; Tg 1-64; Tg 1a-64; Tg 2a-64 and Tg 3a-64.

Technical changes are made in 2c-25 and Cc 3-25. The additions and revisions packet includes a revised table of contents and the listing of 1983/84 official referee chemists.

Southwest symposium, Feb. 22

The Southwest Section's third annual Product Development Seminar will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, 1984, in the Buena Park Hotel, Buena Park, California.

Speakers will cover a cross section of the aspects of product development, addressing the tasks of the private label compounder for the grocery market as well as the industrial and institutional markets of the soap and detergent industry.

Registration fee will be \$35 in advance; \$40 at the door. The fee includes all materials and a luncheon. General chairman for the event is Larry Copeland, manager of Product development for Pilot Chemical Co. in Santa Fe Springs, California.

Past seminars have discussed all aspects of new product development, from concepts, to raw materials, to production and marketing. Approximately 70 persons attended the 1983 seminar.

Referee Chemists

Applications for certification or recertification in the AOCS Referee Chemist program must be returned to AOCS Headquarters, 508 S. Sixth St., Champaign, IL 61820, by March 31, 1984, or the applicant will not be eligible to be listed in the 1984-85 official list of referee chemists.

Recertification notices are being mailed to last year's participants. New applicants should write to AOCS Headquarters to request application forms. Recertification application fee is \$25; new applicant fee is \$75.

Again, the applications must reach AOCS by March 31 for the applicant to be considered for the 1984-85 referee chemist listing.