

## ***Celebration for half-century of ROTO-PACKER success***

Haver & Boecker, Oelde, Germany, is currently commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the HAVER ROTO-PACKER, the world-famous rotary packing machine for filling cement and other free flowing powdery materials into sacks. Demand from cement plants in the late 1950s for higher bagging capacities provided a catalyst towards the development of the rotary packer that replaced the company's then well established inline packers with up to six filling spouts. Impetus for the new technology came from Phoenix Zementwerke located in Beckum, Germany, which ordered the first machines. Almost 50 years later this same customer recently acquired the first ROTOCLASSIC, the latest generation of ROTO-PACKERs. The earliest machines were entirely mechanical but during the intervening years they have gradually incorporated electrical, pneumatic and most recently electronic systems. This latest innovation also helped the company to become a leader in electronic weighing scales. Another milestone was automation. Applying valve-bags manually was replaced by an automatic bag applicator, the RADIMAT. [www.haverboecker.com](http://www.haverboecker.com)



***Senior Haver & Boecker executives (from the left): Wolfgang Haschke, former sales director who sold the most ROTO-PACKERs, managing partner Dr Reinhold Festge, general sales director Bernhard Pagenkemper, and managing partner Walter Haver***