SUGGESTION CONCERNING COMPOUND SOLUTION OF CRESOL.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 18, 1912. Editor of the Journal:

Some time ago I made a recommendation through Prof. Clark to the Revision Committee of the Pharmacopæia for a change in the mode of making Liquor Cresolis Co.—a change which I believe to be important to the retail drug trade, as it simplifies the process of making the above preparation; it is, to use equal parts by weight of Cresol and Sapo Mollis.

By this method one is sure of perfect saponification, and therefore clear solutions thereafter, when dilutions are made. Whereas, by the present process this is not always the case, owing perhaps to variation in quality of oil used, and to the degree of freshness or mode of keeping. Many pharmacists will not bother with the present method who would be glad to avail themselves of the above formulas. Yours sincerely,

WM. GRAY, Pharmacist.

Council Business

COUNCIL LETTER NO. 16.

PHILADELPHIA, March 27, 1912.

Members of the Council:

Chairman Eberle, acting under *Motion No.* 31 (C. L. No. 14, 31), has appointed the following "Committee on Co-operation in Pharmaceutical Legislation"

W. S. Richardson, Chairman, II. P. Hynson and J. H. Beal.

Motion No. 32 (Appropriation of \$100 to Committee on National Legislation) has received a majority of affirmative votes.

No hearing has yet been held by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce upon the subject of the Richardson Amendment to Sections Nos. 6, 7 and 8 of the Food and Drugs Act. (H. R. 14060.)

Motion No. 33 (Donation of Set of Proceedings of A. Ph. A. to N. A. R. D.). Moved by J. H. Beal, seconded by H. M. Whelpley, that the Association present a set of its Proceedings, as nearly complete as can be made from stock in hand, to the National Association of Retail Druggists.

Motion No. 34 (Election of Members). You

are requested to vote on the following applications for membership

No. 164. Leon H. Marr, 62 Main St., Farmington, Maine, rec. by Chas. H. Davis and W. F. Jackson.

No. 165. Carl B. Kober, 37 Logan St., Denver, Col., rec. by F. W. Nitardy and John A. Martin.

No. 166. Benjamin Franklin Seymour, 60 Jacobson Bldg., Denver, Colo., rec. by F. W. Nitardy and John A. Martin.

No. 167. Robert James Douglass, Sergeant Hospital Corps, U. S. A., Camp Jossman, Guimaras, P. l., rec. by Samuel J. Harris and J. H. Beal.

No. 168. James Baillie, 1887 Rondo St., St. Paul, Minn., rec. by W. A. Frost and Frederick J. Wulling.

No. 169. Justin Sewall Brewer, care Minneapolis Drug Co., Minneapolis, Minn., rec. by W. A. Frost and Frederick J. Wulling. No. 170. Thomas Biscoe, St. Paul Park,

No. 170. Thomas Biscoe, St. Paul Park, Minn., rec. by W. A. Frost and Frederick J. Wulling.

No. 171. William Loesch, 3040 Wentworth Ave., Chicago, Ill., rec. by Wm. B. Day and A. H. Clark.

No. 172. William H. Thomas, Sergt. 1st Class, H. C., Regan Barracks, Ahoy, P. I., rec. by Jasper M. Lawrence and Wm. B. Day. No. 173. Emmett Powers, 2809 Eaton St.

No. 173. Emmett Powers, 2809 Eaton St., Edgewater, Col., rec. by F. W. Nitardy and John A. Martin.

No. 174. Francisco Remirez, 498 Jesus del Monte, Havana, Cuba, rec. by Jose Guillermo Diaz and Jose P. Alacan.

No. 175. Albert Logan Herbster, 229 National St., Elgin, Ill., rec. by Wm. B. Day and E. N. Gathercoal.

No. 176. William Kerr Lyda, Sergeant 1st Class, H. C., U. S. A., Fort Gibbon, Alaska, rec. by Wm. B. Day and Elmo D. Mathews.

No. 177. Matt Robert Noreen, Sergeant, H. C., U. S. A., Fort Gibbon, Tanana, Alaska, rec. by Elmo D. Mathews and Wm. B. Day. No. 178. Herbert W. Snow. 220 N. Frank-

No. 178. Herbert W. Snow, 220 N. Franklin St., Chicago, Ill., rec. by Jas. H. Wells and C. H. Avery.

No. 179. Clifford H. Bollinger, care Noyes Brothers & Cutler, Saint Paul, Minn., rec. by W. A. Frost and F. A. Upsher Smith. No. 180. Glenn D. Thomas, Greenfield,

Iowa, rec. by Wm. Mittelbach and C. E. Zinn. No. 181. William Henry McNeill, River and Straight Sts., Paterson, N. J., rec. by J. H. Beal and W. Pitt Rich.

No. 182. Charles Samuel Cook, Bolivar, Tenn., rec. by Wm. R. White and J. O. Burge. No. 183. Joy L. Miller, 340 Downey Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., rec. by Frank A. Hereth

Indianapolis, Ind., rec. by Frank A. Hereth and A. D. Thorburn. No. 184. Hiram Carney Parker, Sergean

No. 184. Hiram Carney Parker, Sergeant Hospital Corps, U. S. A., Camp Jossman, Guimaras, P. I., rec. by Samuel J. Harris and George H. Paul.

No. 185. Heber Wilkinson Youngken, 6106 Gray Ave., West Philadelphia, Pa., rec. by Christopher Koch and I. V. Stanley Stanislaus.

No. 186. Fred Louis Carter, Jr., 20 Merri-

mac St., Boston, Mass., rec. by John G. Godding and C. Herbert Packard.

No. 187. Aaron Gard Burnette, 326 Missouri Ave., East St. Louis, Ill., rec. by J. W. Mackelden and H. M. Whelpley.

No. 188. William Hamilton Lamont, 11 S. 4th St., care Eli Lilly & Co., St. Louis, Mo., rec. by J. H. Beal and H. M. Whelpley.

No. 189. Charles S. Gutzeit, 630 Tasker

St., Philadelphia, Pa., rec. by John R. Minehart and Ambrose Hunsberger.

No. 190. Arthur Charles Schulte, 300 S. Jefferson Ave., St. Louis, Mo., rec. by J. H. Beal and H. M. Whelpley.
No. 191. Marcus Barrett, 233 St. Luke St.,

Chicago, Ill., rec. by W. B. Day and E. N. Gathercoal.

No. 192. Benjamin Roessner, 509 N. 2d St., Philadelphia, Pa., rec. by E. Fullerton Cook and I. W. Osterlund. No. 193. William Nicholas Robak, Main

and First Sts., Conemaugh, Pa., rec. by J. A. Koch and A. F. Judd.

No. 194. Henry P. Sandkoetter, 50 W. Harrison St., Chicago, Ill., rec. by W. B. Day and E. N. Gathercoal.

> J. W. England, Secretary of the Council.

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COUNCIL LETTER NO. 17.

PHILADELPHIA, April 9, 1912.

Members of the Council:

Motion No. 33 (Donation of Set of Proceedings of A. Ph. A. to N. A. R. D.), and Motion No. 34 (Election of Applicants for Membership from Nos. 164 to 194 inclusive) have each received a majority of affirmative votes.

The following communication has been received

"To the Council of the American Pharmaceutical Association:

We, the undersigned members and proposed members of the American Pharmaceutical Association respectfully petition the Council for a permit to establish a local Branch to be known as the Saint Louis Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

At the meeting held on March 22, 1912, a Constitution and By-Laws was adopted, copy of which find attached, and the following officers elected: Wm. K. Ilhardt, President; Jerry A. Wilkerson, First Vice President; Arthur C. Schulte, Second Vice President; William H. Lamont, Second Vice President; William H. Lamont, Secretary; Carl T. Buehler, Treasurer; N. Emery Williams, Louis Lieberstein, Delta E. Combs, Advisory Board: L. G. Blakeslee, S. Bochm, C. T. Buehler, A. G. Burnett, Chas. E. Caspari, G. W. Col-

lins, D. E. Combs, Miss B. P. Coussens, Chas. Gietner, J. M. Good, F. A. Haines, Francis Hemm, Wm. A. Hickey, Mrs. B. G. Huffman, Wm. K. Ilhardt, L. J. Lehmann, Wm. H. Lamont, L. Lieberstein, G. S. Lohmann, J. W. Mackelden, M. J. Noll, F. C. Pauley, J. W. S'Renco, E. A. Sennewald, A. Schulte, C. R. Sizemore, F. W. Sultan, L. R. Suppan, Wm. H. Tabacnic, L. R. Tyson, F. G. Uhlich, John Wasem, H. M. Whelpley, J. A. Wilkerson, N. Emery Williams, Wm. P. Overstreet.

Saint Louis, Missouri, March 25, 1912."

Do you approve of the above application for the formation of the Saint Louis Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association? This will be known as Motion No. 35 (Application for Formation of the Saint Louis Branch, A. Ph. A.).

There was submitted, also, a Constitution and By-laws for the Branch, but as this is quite lengthy, it will be published in the JOURNAL.

> J. W. England, Secretary of the Council.

COUNCIL LETTER NO. 18.

PHILADELPHIA, April 13, 1912.

Members of the Council:

The following is submitted:

"PHILADELPHIA, PA., April 13, 1912.

Members of the Council:
Since the Boston (1911) meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association the new Journal has been issued along the lines

laid down by the Association.

The details of publication have been very carefully considered by the Committee on Publication.

The number of reading pages in each issue has been left to the judgment of the Editor. Four issues have been sent out containing 90, 104, 86 and 120 pages, respectively.

The monthly date of publication has been made "about the fifth of each month."

It has been decided not to copyright the JOURNAL, at least for the present, unless exigencies require it.

Advertising rates were adopted by the Committee on Publication and these have been satisfactory to adverisers. It is most pleasing to state that the contracts placed have been much larger than was thought probable at the Boston meeting of the Association. A detailed report on this subject will

be made at the Denver (1912) meeting. Rules of Censorship have been adopted (see JOURNAL A. PH. A.) and a Committee on Censorship of three appointed, consisting of the Editor, the Treasurer and the Chairman of Committee on Publication.

The best and most satisfactory bid for printing the JOURNAL was that of the Stoneman Press Company, of Columbus, Ohio, and the contract for 1912 was awarded to this firm. A full report will be made at the Denver (1912) meeting.

It has been decided to furnish reprints of articles in the JOURNAL to authors at cost. At the Boston (1911) meeting of the Asso-

ciation the following by-laws were adopted:

CHAPTER VI, ARTICLE IV. "The Report on the Progress of Pharmacy shall be edited, published and distributed under rules and regulations approved by the Council. It shall be issued as a yearly volume covering each fiscal year of the Association"

The title of this "yearly volume" has been the subject of considerable discussion by the Committee. It was felt that as the volume was to contain not only the Report on the Progress of Pharmacy, but also additional matter, such as Constitution and By-Laws, Geographical Roll and Alphabetical List of Members, Officers and Committees, General Rules, etc. (as required by Chapter VII, Article IX of By-Laws), the title of Report on the Progress of Pharmacy would be incorrect, and hence it has been decided to call the volume "Year Book of the American Pharmaceutical Association." This can be contracted into "Year Book, A. Ph. A." in contradistinction to "Year Book, B. P. C." (issued by the British Pharmaceutical Conference). It was felt that such a title would be most appropriate. It is true that we have a British "Year Book," but we have also a British Pharmacopeia, and the U. S. P. and B. P. do not conflict.

The title page in the Year Book will state the fact that the volume contains the "Report on the Progress of Pharmacy" and other official data, including "Rules of Finance." The authority for inserting this latter is to be found in Chapter VII, Article X of the By-Laws, under the clause "and such other matter as may be deemed desirable." The Council has the authority to insert any matter it wishes in the annual volume.

It will be recalled by the members of the Council that the Druggists' Circular (C. L. No. 14) requested permission "to publish a commentary on the various formulas contained in the work N. F., somewhat as the authors of the dispensatories have published comments on the text of the Pharmacopœia, and to quote extensively from the book," and this request was referred to the Committee on Publication.

The Committee on Publication feels that any decision upon this request will establish a precedent, and that it will be better to have the question discussed by the Council in actual session at the Denver (1912) meeting, and so recommends.

The details of the publication of the Year Book and the National Formulary have not been considered, because the manuscript for these two volumes has not been completed.

Under date of January 3, 1912, Reporter Diehl wrote that it was impossible to name a date when the manuscript for the annual volume would be ready for the printer, but indicated that it might be ready some time in April, 1912.

With regard to the National Formulary, it is very important that the subject-matter of this book be given the most careful consideration by the members of the Committee on National Formulary. The latter are framing legal standards, and should not call their labors completed until they have thoroughly satisfied themselves that every formula submitted is entirely practicable, and that the book will meet every legal requirement. This

means delay, but it is hoped that the work will soon crystallize, and that it will be possible to publish the Year Book and the National Formulary within a reasonable early period.

If any discrimination has to be made, it would seem to be more important that the Year Book be hastened to completion than the National Formulary. A Year Book should be issued somewhere near about the year the date of which it bears. At the least calculation, it will take three months to get it through the press and delivered after the perfect manuscript is received, which will bring the 1911 book out late in 1912.

J. W. England,

Chairman of Committee on Publication."

Do you approve above report and recommendations contained therein? This motion will be regarded as Motion No. 36 (Approval of Report of Committee on Publication).

J. W. ENGLAND, Secretary of the Council.

Proceedings of the Local Branches

"All papers presented to the Association and its branches shall become the property of the Association, with the understanding that they are not to be published in any other publication than those of the Association, except by consent of the Committee on Publication."—Resolution adopted at the Boston Convention, 1911.

Reports of the meetings of the Local Branches should be mailed to the editor on the day following the meeting, if possible. Minutes should be plainly written, or typewritten, with wide spaces between the lines. Caré should be taken to give proper names correctly, and manuscript should be signed by the reporter.

<> ST. LOUIS BRANCH.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.*

PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS, The American Pharmaceutical Association is engaged in the laudable effort to elevate and refine the practice of Pharmacy and to improve its general conditions, and

Whereas, The aim and intent of the American Pharmaceutical Association is to secure and maintain the professional standing of the pharmacist—by encouraging the pharmacist to recognize the real dignity of the profession; by supporting the effort to regulate sound and thorough pharmaceutical education; by favor-

^{*}Adopted at the Organization Meeting held March 22, 1912.