

nually in connection with the meeting of the American Medical Association. This year the exhibits were unusually well arranged and readily accessible at all times of the day. The commercial exhibition was notably free from objectionable proprietary medicines and in keeping with the scientific exhibition was generally recognized as being of educational value. The exhibitions made by the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service and by the Chemical Laboratory of the American Medical Association attracted considerable attention and contained much material of direct interest to pharmacists.

The absence of any exhibit by pharmacists was noticed by a number of the members of the American Medical Association who expressed regret that members of the American Pharmaceutical Association did not see fit to follow up the exhibits made on previous occasions, and the suggestion was variously made that the American Pharmaceutical Association itself undertake to finance an annual exhibition of official preparations in connection with the meeting of the American Medical Association.

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THE MILWAUKEE CONVENTION.

FOR years the N. A. R. D., that great organization of retail druggists, has in many ways shown its friendly regard for our own association, and consequently, it is with pleasure that THE JOURNAL calls attention to the coming N. A. R. D. convention at Milwaukee, during the week of August 12. The date was originally set for August 26, but a change was made necessary on account of its conflicting with the meeting of the American Bar Association, which is to be held in the same city.

Milwaukee is famous for various things, not the least of them being the large and beautiful auditorium in which the N. A. R. D. meeting and the National Drug Show will be held. Instead of the usual extemporized booths, made from pine boards covered with muslin, the auditorium provides artistic booths, uniform in style and size, and so constructed as to display the various exhibits to the best advantage and admitting of decorative effects of various kinds.

The past year has been a great one for the N. A. R. D., and has been marked by positive accomplishments both in presenting opposition to objectionable legislative measures and in the advocacy of wise and just ones. On numerous occasions, officers and committees of that organization have been in consultation with officers and committees of our own society upon questions of importance to the whole body of pharmacy, particularly with regard to the proper revision and correction of the Richardson Bill, which seeks to amend the Food and Drug Act. It is to be hoped that future years will bring about a still closer coöperation for common purposes between these, the two greatest organizations in pharmacy, and that they may become as closely united in active and effective work as they have been in sympathy. It is also to be hoped that at the coming meetings, both bodies will formulate and settle upon definite legislative propositions and other policies upon which they can vigorously coöperate during the coming year. When a measure has received the assent of both societies, there is little doubt but that it will represent wisely and broadly the interests of pharmacy, and when the force

of both is concentrated behind it, it will stand an exceedingly good chance of being placed upon the statute books.

The N. A. R. D. wisely restricts its membership to the proprietors of retail drug stores, because the organization was formed for the express purpose of looking after the interests of these, but among its most active organizers and members have always been found many of the most highly esteemed workers of the A. Ph. A., and the number who are members of both societies is increasing each year. This is as it should be, since the possession of a large membership in common can result only in bringing about greater unity of action, and in rendering more effective for good the reformatory efforts of both.

Those who have attended past N. A. R. D. conventions will not need to be told of what is said and done there; those who have not attended such meetings should go and see for themselves, and we trust that all A. Ph. A. members who are able to do so will attend the convention at Milwaukee.

THE JOURNAL also extends a cordial invitation to N. A. R. D. members to attend the A. Ph. A. meeting at Denver, August 19-24.

J. H. BEAL.



ADVICE TO PHARMACISTS FROM A PHARMACIST.

AT the fifth annual "joint" meeting of the New York Branch A. Ph. A. and the Medical Society of the County of New York, at the New York Academy of Medicine, a number of interesting papers were read, as reported in the Journal A. Ph. A. for June and July.

Especially two of the papers were full of meat and spice as well, namely, "What the Physician Has to Say to the Pharmacist," by Dr. Hatcher, and "What the Pharmacist Has to Say to the Physician," by Mr. Diamond. The writer, who opened the discussion, presented still another phase of this subject, namely, "What a Pharmacist Has to Say to the Pharmacists," which was as follows: "*Don't be a jack-of-all-trades, but try and be a master of professional pharmacy!*"

As chairman of the Section of Practical Pharmacy and Dispensing, the writer also used the same words in his annual address at Richmond in 1910. This is advice which pharmacists over the entire country should heed and follow and thereby help to uplift pharmacy to the rank of a profession, where it properly belongs.

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