The following U. S. P. and N. F. external preparations made from the specially denatured alcohol formulas specified below may be approved by administrators:

Preserving formaldehyde, U. S. P. Formula No. 22.

Tincture of iodine, U. S. P., Formula No. 25 or 25 alternative.

Tincture of iodine, stronger, N. F. Formula No. 25 or 25 alternative.

Soap liniment, U. S. P., Formula No. 27.

Chloroform liniment, U. S. P., Formula No. 27.

Liniment of soft soap, U. S. P., Formula No. 27-B.

Formulas and samples of all preparations made from alcohol, or specially denatured alcohol, other than those mentioned in the preceding paragraphs, should, for the present, be referred to the Department for decision.

Samples Taken as Evidence on Enforcement Work.

In addition to the Branch Internal Revenue Laboratories heretofore established, which are to be continued as part of administrators' offices in certain districts, the Department is establishing such additional laboratories as are necessary in other districts. All samples taken as evidence in enforcement work should be submitted for analysis to the laboratory in the administrator's district where procured or to the nearest district laboratory in case a laboratory has not been established in the district in which the samples were taken.

Article VIII, Sec. 814.

The attention of wholesale and retail druggists and pharmacists should be directed to Article VIII, Section 814, Regulations 60, wherein it is stated that there are now only four formulas for medicating alcohol under Regulations 60 instead of six formulas, as in the previous regulations.

C. R. NASH, Acting Commissioner. APPROVED:

L. C. ANDREWS, Assistant Secretary.

## RENEWAL OF PERMITS FOR TAX-FREE PURE ALCOHOL.

Alcohol users throughout the drug trade who have received copies of Pro. Mimeograph 386 with regard to "renewals of permits, Form 1447, for tax-free alcohol," apparently have been unnecessarily alarmed as to the scope of this new regulation. The term "taxfree alcohol" has quite naturally been construed to mean not only pure alcohol withdrawn by research laboratories, colleges, hospitals, etc., but all forms of specially denatured alcohol, and many have regarded the circular as a regulation requiring the annual renewal of all permits to use alcohol of any kind and therefore as an abridgment or complete withdrawal of the privilege long in force with respect to specially denatured alcohol and more recently extended to tax-paid non-beverage alcohol that permits may remain in force during the good behavior of the permittee.— N. W. D. A. Bulletin, No. 103.

## **BOOK NOTICES AND REVIEWS.**

On account of the reports of the minutes of the A. PH. A. Sections it was found necessary to defer reviews of books to a succeeding number of the JOURNAL.

## PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Papers from the Wellcome Chemical Research Laboratories—Past Directors: F. B. POWER, Ph.D., LL.D., 1896-1914; F. L. PYMAN, D.Sc., Ph.D., F.R.S., 1914-1919; Present Director: T. A. HENRY, D.Sc.

197. The Influence of the Medium on the Toxicity of Certain Alkaloids towards Protozoa.

198. Resolution of the  $\alpha,\delta$ -Dihydroxy- $\alpha$ -methyl- $\delta$ -isopropyladipic Acids.

199. Observations on Some Dysentery Remedies.

200. Mercuration of Nitrohydroxybenzaldehydes.

201. Fermentation of Salts of Organic Acids as an Aid to the Differentiation of Bacterial Types.

202. Aromatic Esters of Acyleggonines.

203. Bactericidal Action of Some Organic Compounds of Mercury.

204. Chenopodium Oil. Part II. The Hydrocarbon Fraction.

205. Echitamine.

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