

though he was President of the Municipal League and was prominently identified with reform movements, he did not advertise his own contribution toward the public welfare; and while his opinions were fearlessly outspoken, he never sought the spotlight of notoriety. He proved that a man can resist influential politicians and still be successful in business, yet he never considered the effect of his acts or his views on his own fortunes."

The Protestant Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd at Rosemont, Pa., was erected by Mr. French in 1894 in memory of his first

wife, Augusta (Graham) French. He was very active in church affairs until the time of his death.

Mr. French is survived by his second wife, Elizabeth E. French, two sons, Clayton French and Graham French, and two daughters Mrs. Thomas Wallace, Prospect, Ky., and Mrs. Pearson Church Cummin, Devon, Pa.

He was a member of the Art Club, City Club, Harvard Club, Bachelors' Barge Club, Philadelphia Country Club, Merion Cricket Club and Church Club, and the Radnor Hunt.

## SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

### PHI DELTA CHI TO MEET IN CHICAGO.

The twenty-sixth annual Grand Council of the Phi Delta Chi fraternity (Chemistry-Pharmacy) will be held at the Allerton House, 701 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, on the 11th, 12th and 13th of February, 1926. On account of the importance of the questions to be considered at this meeting and due to the convenience of Chicago to a large share of the membership of the Fraternity, it is expected that this Grand Council will see the best attended meeting that the Fraternity ever has held.

Chapter representatives from two new chapters will be present for the first time. These chapters have been installed at the University of Maryland and the Medical College of Virginia since the 1925 Grand Council. Twenty-six chapters from all sections of the United States will be represented by two or more delegates.

During the past year the Fraternity has continued with the publication of its quarterly magazine, "The Communicator," and has issued monthly for members only a new pamphlet "The Communicalendar." As the name implies, this is intended to carry advance notice of dates of various events throughout the Fraternity of interest to the alumni membership. Both publications are edited by R. P. Hollenback, 3134 North High St., Columbus, Ohio.

Grand Council arrangements are being made by the Grand Secretary of the organization, L. C. Heustis, 1662 Bellefontaine St., Indianapolis.

### ORGANIC CHEMISTRY SYMPOSIUM.

A national symposium on organic chemistry was held December 29 to 31 at Rochester

under the auspices of the Division of Organic Chemistry of the American Chemical Society. Prof. Marston T. Bogart, of Columbia, chairman of the division, presided. A partial list of papers follows:—

"The Causation of Organic Reactions at the Surfaces of Solids," Homer B. Adkins, University of Wisconsin.

"Researches in the Thiazole and Selenazole Groups," Marston T. Bogart, Columbia University.

"Certain Developments in the Chemistry of Free Radicals," James B. Conant, Harvard University.

"Some Practical Criteria of the Purity of Crystalline Organic Compounds," John Johnston, Yale University.

"Quantitative Measurement of Chemical Reactivity of Organic Compounds," James F. Norris, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

### OFFICERS OF ARIZONA ASSOCIATION.

The officers elected at the meeting of the Arizona Pharmaceutical Association, in Yuma, are as follows:

*President*, E. C. Stultz, Phoenix.

*Vice-President*, Charles Conners, Jerome.

*Secretary-Treasurer*, Arthur G. Hulett, Phoenix.

*Executive Committee*, J. Homer Smith, A. B. Pulvis, J. D. Weber, A. C. Crouch, Chas. Freeman. Phoenix was selected for the 1926 meeting.

W. Bruce Philip, past chairman of the House of Delegates, A. Ph. A., was one of the speakers.

### OFFICERS IDAHO ASSOCIATION.

The officers elected by the Idaho Association at Pocatello are as follows:

*President*, John E. Holmes, St. Anthony.  
*Vice-Presidents*, Roy Hermon, A. B. Colwell,  
 H. T. Emmet.  
*Secretary*, J. C. Anderson, Boise.  
*Treasurer*, Orville Jackson, Eagle.  
 Boise was chosen for the 1926 meeting.  
 John Culley, of Ogden, was one of the  
 speakers of the convention.

#### OFFICERS OF DISINFECTANT MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.

The following officers were elected at the 12th annual convention of the Insecticide and Disinfectant Manufacturers' Association:

*President*, Frederick A. Hoyt.  
*First Vice-President*, H. W. Hamilton.  
*Second Vice-President*, Evans E. A. Stone.  
*Treasurer*, Robert J. Jordan.  
*Secretary*, H. W. Cole.

#### OFFICERS OF BALTIMORE DRUG EXCHANGE.

The following officers were elected at the 21st annual meeting of the Drug Exchange Bureau of the Baltimore Association of Commerce, December 14th:

*President*, H. H. Robinson.  
*First Vice-President*, Horace Burroughs.  
*Second Vice-President*, Philip I. Heuisler.  
*Secretary*, William J. Lowry.  
*Treasurer*, J. Emory Bond.  
*Executive Committee*, Willoughby M. McCormack, William A. Sailer, John C. Muth.

The Bureau went on record as opposing a piecemeal reduction of the tax on alcohol, though it has declined to take a position for or against the proposed reduction.

### THE PHARMACIST AND THE LAW.

One of the inconveniences connected with free government is the voluminous code of laws. Last year forty states passed more than 13,000 laws, many of which are substitutes or amendments of prior measures. We are told that Washington State passed a law authorizing schools for teaching the art of hair dressing and facial massage, licensing persons to carry on the practice and providing penalties for violation. Illinois made provision for rewarding man, woman or child for capturing or killing a bank robber. Ohio provided for the daily reading of ten verses from the Bible, without comment, another state requires memorizing of the Ten Commandments. In New York 3186 measures were offered and 686 of these became laws; in another state 1773 measures were presented of which 1173 were enacted.

#### METRIC STANDARDS BILL UP IN CONGRESS.

One of the first bills introduced in the new Congress is the Metric Standards Bill (H. R. 10), sponsored by Fred A. Britten, Representative from Illinois. It provides for the gradual adoption of metric units of weights and measures in merchandising throughout the United States after a transition period of 10 years.

Under the proposed law, manufacturers will continue to use any measures they desire in production, but commercial transactions are to be on the decimal basis, already em-

ployed to advantage in United States coinage. The Britten Bill establishes familiar terms for the main metric units, for the meter may be called the "world yard," the liter "world quart" and 500 grams "world pound."

The states of Illinois, California, North Dakota, Tennessee and Utah through their legislatures have memorialized Congress to pass such a metric law. Metric advocates declare that adoption of the world standard units will benefit internal and world trade, education, agriculture and household economy.

#### PRICE MAINTENANCE BILL.

Representative Clyde Kelly has introduced H. R. 11 into the House of Representatives; it has been referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. The bill reads:

##### A BILL.

To clarify the law, to promote equality thereunder, to encourage competition in production and quality, to prevent injury to good will, and to protect trade-mark owners, distributors and the public against injurious and uneconomic practices in the distribution of articles of standard quality under a distinguishing trade-mark, name, or brand.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in contracts relating to the sale or resale of an article of commerce the genuineness of which is attested by the trade-mark or special brand