

THE PHARMACIST AND THE LAW.

HARRISON NARCOTIC ACT NOW APPLIES TO THE VIRGIN ISLANDS.

Favorable action has been taken by the House Committee on Ways and Means on the Senate bill to make the Harrison Narcotic Act effective in the Virgin Islands.

A NUMBER OF STATES ARE PREPARING TO PRESENT PERMIT LEGISLATION.

The Missouri bill provides that the owner or owners of pharmacies, drug or chemical stores, apothecary shops, or places of business for the retailing, dispensing, or exposing for sale of drugs, medicines, chemicals, etc., or for the compounding of physicians' prescriptions be required to secure drug store permits. These permits are to be issued by the State Board of Pharmacy. The owner or owners must secure the permits and the ownership of the store must be made known to the Board of Pharmacy. The name of the registered pharmacist who is in charge must be given, and in case of corporations the name of the registered pharmacist in charge of the store must be stated in the application. Whenever there is a change in the management the fact must be communicated to the Board and it will be unlawful to keep open shop without such permit.

One of the bills amending the Florida State pharmacy law includes the word "drugs" with the term pharmacy, pharmacies, drug stores, druggists, where they occur in the law. This bill will make it unlawful to exhibit signs, etc., indicating that the shop is a drug store in accordance with the law, unless a permit has been issued to the store by the Board, and also provides that the Board may revoke store permits; the applicant or permittee, has the right of appeal.

LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS.

The following State legislatures are now in session.

Alabama, at Montgomery, unlimited session. Arizona, at Phoenix, for 60 days. Arkansas, at Little Rock, for 60 days.

California, at Sacramento, unlimited session. Colorado, at Denver, unlimited session. Connecticut, at Hartford.

Delaware, at Dover, unlimited session.

Idaho, at Boise, unlimited session. Illinois, at Springfield, unlimited session. Indiana, at

Indianapolis, for 61 days. Iowa, at Des Moines unlimited session.

Kansas, at Topeka, unlimited session.

Maine, at Augusta, for 90 days. Maryland, at Annapolis, for 90 days. Massachusetts, at Boston, unlimited session. Michigan, at Lansing, unlimited session. Minnesota, at St. Paul, for 90 days. Missouri, at Jefferson City, unlimited session. Montana, at Helena, for 60 days.

Nebraska, at Lincoln, unlimited session. Nevada, at Carson City, for 60 days. New Hampshire, at Concord, unlimited session. New Jersey, at Trenton, unlimited session. New Mexico, at Santa Fe, for 60 days. New York, at Albany, unlimited session. North Carolina, at Raleigh, unlimited session. North Dakota, at Bismark, for 60 days.

Ohio, at Columbus, unlimited session. Oklahoma, at Oklahoma City, unlimited session. Oregon, at Salem, unlimited session.

Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, unlimited session.

Rhode Island, at Providence, unlimited session.

South Carolina, at Columbia, unlimited session. South Dakota, at Pierre, for 60 days.

Tennessee, at Nashville, unlimited session. Texas, at Austin, for 60 days.

Utah, at Salt Lake City, for 60 days.

Vermont, at Montpelier, unlimited session.

Washington, at Olympia, for 60 days. West Virginia, at Charleston, for 60-day, divided session. Wisconsin, at Madison, unlimited session. Wyoming, at Cheyenne, for 40 days.

Dr. Robert P. Fischelis discusses the limitation of drug stores in *Associated Drug News*. He points out that the number of pharmacists must be limited to accomplish this and that in bringing about such limitation the quality of men and women admitted to the schools and colleges of pharmacy should have consideration and, further, that these institutions require endowments. He suggests this as "a practical way of spending money to correct the evils that beset our profession and business."

S. B. Penick has been elected *chairman* of the Drug and Chemical Section of the New York Board of Trade.

C. P. Van Schaack, of Chicago, is doing good work on the Metric Standardization Measure. As a result of his efforts quite a number of encouraging letters have been received by him from U. S. Senators.