

of the A. P. H. A. *President*, Edward J. Ireland, Madison; *Vice-President*, Norman J. Glanders; *Secretary*, Harvey A. Kimball, Racine; *Treasurer*, Vincent, Wasz, Chicago.—See Council Letter of this issue of the JOURNAL.

FIRST AID WEEK WINDOW DISPLAY.

Secretary E. L. Newcomb announces that "First-Aid Week Window Display" may now be obtained from wholesale druggists. First-Aid Week is March 13th-19th and druggists are urged to make full use of the opportunity the occasion affords. Publicity in local newspapers will add much to the interest which will result through the use of the poster. Secretary Newcomb and the Committee suggest that City and State officials be requested to aid in giving information.

The annual year book, representing the printed proceedings of the 1931 Annual Convention of the N. W. D. A., held at Atlantic City in October, is being mailed to all members of the Association. This volume, in addition to containing the new alphabetical and geographic membership roll of all wholesale and manufacturing members of the Association, corrected to December 1, 1931, and including names of all officers of all firms, and other general information, also contains a complete

stenographic report of the proceedings of the convention and full reports of the various committees and the recorded action of the Association on various recommendations and resolutions.

MINNESOTA PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association will hold its annual meeting at Nicollet Hotel, Minneapolis, February 10th-12th. Among the speakers of the convention will be Secretary Samuel C. Henry, and Governor Floyd D. Olson is scheduled as a speaker for the banquet. President Walter D. Adams, of the A. P. H. A., hopes to be present.

PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The second annual Druggists' Business Conference will be held at Purdue University, February 24th-25th; meetings are to be held in Memorial Union Building. These conferences give a good opportunity to Indiana druggists to discuss their business and professional problems. The discussions will be participated in by retail pharmacists.

H. W. Heine, of the Purdue University pharmacy staff, will present a brief course in show-card writing and window trimming.

LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE.

DRUG STORE SURVEY WORK TO BE REVIEWED.

The National Drug Store Survey Committee will meet in Washington, January 26th, to discuss the closing activities of the St. Louis drug store survey of the Department of Commerce and to arrange for a general industry conference in St. Louis, April 18th.

Field work in St. Louis will be completed with a final inventory, April 1st, although analysis of statistics and publication of reports will occupy an additional year. However, at least two chapters of the study, on store arrangement and causes of bankruptcy, are expected to be published in pamphlet form by the time of the April meeting, and other phases will be so far advanced that members of the drug industries who care to attend can be given a good indication of the final results.

The Washington meeting is primarily for the committee in charge, and reports will be made by a number of members of the survey staff. The general progress of the work will

be discussed; the financing of the survey reported on; and there will be detailed consideration of those phases of the survey farthest advanced, particularly store arrangement, failures, prescription business and customer problems.

NARCOTIC VS. DRUG.

We are appreciative of the coöperative effort of the *U. S. Daily* to use the term "narcotic" or "narcotic drug," instead of the term "drug," when the former is referred to. Other publications have taken related action; pharmacists can bring about a general acceptance of such designation.

S. 1201.

Mr. Copeland introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry.

A BILL.

To extend Section 8 of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906, as amended, to the false or deceptive advertising of drugs.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled: That Section 8 of the Act entitled "An Act for preventing the manufacture, sale or transportation of adulterated or misbranded or poisonous or deleterious foods, drugs, medicines and liquors, and for regulating traffic therein, and for other purposes," approved June 30, 1906, as amended, is further amended by adding immediately following the end of paragraph three under the heading "In the case of drugs," a new paragraph to read as follows:

"Fourth. If, in any manner, or by any means whatsoever, it, or the ingredients or substances contained therein, or the curative and therapeutic effect of such article or its ingredients or substances, are falsely or deceptively advertised, represented or described in any Territory or the District of Columbia, or in any State to which such article is shipped or delivered for shipment from any other State, or from any Territory or the District of Columbia, or from any foreign country, no such advertisement, representation or description shall be held to constitute misbranding for a period greater than six months after such advertisement, representation or description was made or published."

CAPPER-KELLY BILL HEARING.

Senator Arthur Capper and Representative Clyde Kelly desire that all friends of the Capper-Kelly Fair Trade Bill immediately urge the chairman and members of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee to have an early hearing on S. 97.¹ This committee is composed of:

James Couzens, of Michigan, *Chairman*; James E. Watson, of Indiana; Ellison D. Smith, of South Carolina; Simeon D. Fess, of Ohio; Key Pittman, of Nevada; Robert B. Howell, of Nebraska; Clarence C. Dill, of Washington; Jesse H. Metcalf, of Rhode Island; Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana; Otis F. Glenn, of Illinois; Harry B. Hawes, of Missouri; Smith W. Brookhart, of Iowa; Robert F. Wagner, of New York; Hamilton F. Kean, of New Jersey; Millard E. Tydings, of Maryland; Daniel O. Hastings, of Delaware; Alben W. Barkley, of Kentucky.

¹ The hearing will be held Monday, January 25th.

DRUGGISTS-LIABILITY FOR SALE OF HARMFUL MEDICINE.

A Minnesota druggist who obtains from a manufacturer medicine containing poison in quantities harmful to the human body which he does not sell in the original package of the manufacturer or under the name of the manufacturer but sells under his own name with a label stating that it was manufactured or prepared for him, cannot avoid liability for injuries sustained by a person for whom it is purchased in taking the medicine on the theory that it is "proprietary" medicine under a Minnesota statute which provides that a druggist shall be responsible for all drugs, chemicals and medicines sold by him except proprietary medicine and other articles sold in the original packages of the manufacturer; proprietary medicine, within the meaning of such statute, is medicine sold on the reputation and standing and under the name of the manufacturer, and a druggist, in selling in his own package under his own name with a statement that it has been manufactured or prepared for him, medicine which he has obtained from a manufacturer, assumes a responsibility equivalent to that of the manufacturer. *Tiedje vs. Haney, et al.* (Minn. Sup Ct.)—6 *U. S. Daily*, 2584, Jan. 15, 1932.

NARCOTIC LAW ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATION IS PROPOSED.

A House investigation of narcotic enforcement conditions is proposed in a resolution introduced by Representative Loring Black of New York. The proposal is an outgrowth of criticisms made some two years ago by Federal grand juries in New York City, prior to the time of the establishment of a separate Bureau of Narcotics.

THE DRUG TRADE'S FUND FOR N. Y. UNEMPLOYED HEAVILY SUBSCRIBED.

Approximately \$70,000 has been collected by or pledged to the fund for the relief of unemployment gathered by the Drug and Pharmaceutical Division of the New York Emergency Unemployment Relief Committee. Before the work of the division is completed it is expected that the fund will be swelled by added contributions from members of the trade who are still making up their contributions. This year, for the first time, the drug and pharmaceutical field was assigned a separate division in the work of relieving unemployment distress.