

of the Texas Association, the remarks of the two widely known veterans were recorded by the Lyon & Healy Company of Chicago and the record forwarded to Secretary Adams. The message contained in the record follows:

"Dear Walt:

The good book says, 'Wheresoever two or three are gathered in my name, I will be amongst them,' and the C. V. D. A. says, 'Wheresoever veteran druggists are gathering, the members of the C. V. D. A. are amongst them in spirit.' That is why the C. V. D. A. by unanimous vote ordered me to send you this greeting, as per your request, for the Texas Pharmaceutical Association's veterans meeting.

We pharmacists have a legion of associations. I will speak of the three most conspicuous ones. The N. A. R. D. takes care of the slogan 'Live and Help to Live' and our frater, Sam Henry, is the master mechanic of that great association. The educators have an organization with the slogan, 'Raise the Standard' and another C. V. D. A. frater—W. B. Day—is at the helm. As long as I can remember the standard has been raised so long that it ought to be up in the skies so high that it would take a Lick telescope to see the tail end of the blessed thing.

Now comes veteran druggists' associations. Their slogan is 'Friendship, fraternal love, humanity, a lofty ideal.'

T. N. Jamieson's brain, heart and purse founded the C. V. D. A. and all other veteran druggists' associations and you should pay homage to his memory whenever you meet.

Should I go into details about our minute man, Theophilus Schmidt, it would break the record of this record. If every veteran druggists' association had such an expert the cause would enhance by leaps and spread the gospel of veteranism.

We have now twenty-seven veteran druggists' associations in our country and I am glad that Texas is one of the most enthusiastic. You will please convey the best wishes and greetings to the Lone Star veterans of the parent organization. We are proud of our children.

With kindest personal regards to you, dear Walter,

Your friend,

WILHELM BODEMANN,
Recording Secretary, C. D. V. A."

"I most sincerely indorse and approve what Recording Secretary Bodemann said and will add that at our meetings we prohibit discussions of politics, religion and business, just indulge in reminiscence of days gone by and celebrate birthdays, initiated by our honorary president, John Blocki.

E. VON HERMANN,
Corresponding Secretary, C. D. V. A."

COMMERCIAL HAND BOOK OF THE NETHERLANDS.

According to Philip C. Coote, in the *Commercial Hand Book of the Netherlands*, East Indies, Netherlands, India, the Netherlands claims to be the most important producer of quinine, about 96% of the bark coming from Java.

The cinchona industry is, to a very great extent, in the hands of the Kina Bureau Combine which controls the bulk of the estates, and is under contract to sell the produce to

the Bandoengsche Kinine Fabriek at Bandoeng. The output and marketing of the product of the cinchona tree is, therefore, in the hands, to a very great extent, of a powerful combine. British capital is also considerably interested in the industry, and the British Combine of Cinchona Planters, which controls a wide area of plantations, sells direct to a manufacturer in Great Britain. There are also some cinchona plantations in Sumatra in which Japanese capital is interested. There are some 141 cinchona plantations, for which 25 are solely devoted to the culture of the drug.