EDITORIAL NOTES

Because of Association Reports, which required many pages, publication of a number of papers and items in this Section had to be deferred.

RELEASE OF THE U. S. PHARMACO-PŒIAL REFERENCE COD LIVER OIL OF KNOWN VITAMIN A AND D POTENCY.

BY E. FULLERTON COOK, CHAIRMAN.

The U.S. P. Vitamin Advisory Board has just released the "Reference Cod Liver Oil" of known Vitamin potency for use in the standardization of Cod Liver Oil and other products containing Vitamins A and D. This "Reference Oil" has been assayed through a coöperative program including fifteen vitamin laboratories in which the International Standards for Vitamin A and Vitamin D were used as a basis of comparison. The potency of this "Reference Oil" has therefore been established upon the basis of International Units and it is available for use in the standardization of all Vitamin A and Vitamin D products, both medicines and foods. The method of assay used in the determination of the potency of the "Reference Oil" is that proposed for adoption by "Interim Revision" for the U. S. P. X.

The original draft of the assay, as used by the laboratories participating in the preparation of this standard, is also available through the Chairman of the U. S. P. Committee of Revision. Within a short time this assay and the revised text for Cod Liver Oil to be established by "Interim Revision" will be officially announced. This Revision will establish the new Vitamin A and Vitamin D potency for official Cod Liver Oil.

The Standard "Reference Oil," of known vitamin potency, is supplied in 30-cc. packages. One lot of the Oil has been assayed for its Vitamin A potency, another lot for its Vitamin D activity. A nominal charge of \$2.50 will be made for each 30-cc. package. These may be secured in individual packages or in any larger number desired, by addressing the Chairman of the U. S. P. Committee of Revision at 43rd Street and Woodland Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

NO EAGLE NECESSARY ON PACKAGE.

Despite the assurance given to the drug and food trades by General Hugh S. Johnson that the Blue Eagle need not appear on packaged products, groups directing NRA work in

various sections of the country are reported as insisting that such identification be utilized. Several instances of pressure brought to bear on manufacturers and retailers have been reported. In many cases the manufacturers are said to be preparing to put the Blue Eagle imprint on their packages rather than experience future difficulties with zealous town committees. However, even those manufacturers who are willing to go to the expense and trouble involved, are up against still another condition. They have on their own floors, in warehouses of wholesaler, or on the shelves of retailers, heavy stocks of merchandise which do not carry the "Blue Eagle." They are endeavoring to find a way for solving the problem, although, with General Johnson's assurance it seems unnecessary to mark the preparations.

"HOUSE PHARMACIES" PROHIBITED.

For decades, physicians in remote regions of Germany have been permitted, after a special examination, to conduct a so-called house pharmacy, in which they themselves were allowed to prepare the necessary medicines. This was a recognized exception to the pharmacy privilege. Now the Prussian ministry of the interior has ordered the cancellation of permits to conduct these house pharmacies. It is pointed out that transportation facilities have improved and that the reasons for house pharmacies seldom hold at present, as physicians can carry with them remedies needed in emergencies. It was explained that house pharmacies not only threaten the existence of the nearest regular pharmacies but also prevent young physicians from settling in rural districts, since the older physicians who possess house pharmacies put them at a disadvantage. There is to be, however, a new investigation to discover whether the need for house pharmacies still exists. The pharmacies of a given district will be required to make arrangements for supplying the population with a reliable drug service-Berlin Correspondent in Journal A. M. A., September 20th.

The Association of Official Agricultural Chemists will be held at Washington, D. C., Hotel Raleigh, November 6th-8th. An interesting program, including many papers, has been prepared.

ADDITIONAL LIST OF REGISTRANTS AT THE MADISON A. PH. A. MEETING,

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