WIDE DISSEMINATION OF "FIGHTING DISEASE WITH DRUGS."

The National Conference on Pharmaceutical Research has arranged to disseminate to the various public libraries of the United States copies of the Symposium, "Fighting Disease with Drugs." There will be in all over three thousand books distributed. The Conference was fortunate in being able to secure the services of the Gaylord Company of Syracuse, New York, to send these books to the various libraries.

NEW RESEARCH LABORATORY.

Appropriate dedication ceremonies have been planned for early in March by Merck & Co., Inc., for their new Research Laboratory at Rahway. Three laboratories have been provided for carrying on pure or fundamental research. Another laboratory will be fitted for bio-chemical research, there will be an adjoining incubator room, and a room has been provided for a pharmacological laboratory. One of the wings of the building will contain a large chemical laboratory, suitable for twelve chemists carrying on applied research and development work. Other features provided include studies on small scale plant operations; an optical and physical laboratory; research on the containers used for various chemicals; and a library containing complete files of technical literature.

Johnson & Johnson have arranged for a contest by which a tour is provided to Europe for four druggists; the contest closes May 31st

OBITUARY.

ALFRED S. BURDICK.

Dr. Alfred Stephen Burdick, president of the Abbott Laboratories, North Chicago, died of pneumonia in the Highland Park hospital,



ALFRED S. BURDICK, M.D.

February 11th. (He would have been sixtysix years of age on February 15th.)

Dr. Burdick was prominent in medical and chemical circles. He received his doctor's degree from Rush Medical College in 1891 and thereafter, for some years, practiced at Dunlap, Ill., Tampa, Fla., Hinsdale and Chicago. From 1899 to 1904 he served as associate professor of medicine at Illinois Medical College.

In 1916 Dr. Burdick became vice-president and in 1921, president of the Abbott Laboratories. During the War he served on selective service board, No. 59. In 1923 he was appointed lieutenant-colonel, medical reserve corps.

Dr. Burdick belonged to many organizations, both as member and officer. He was a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIA-TION, a former president of the American Drug Manufacturers' Association, and vice-president of the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers' Association. He was also the author of medical manuals and other works. He belonged to several clubs, among them the Chemists Clubs of Chicago and New York.

The deceased is survived by his wife, Ella Brown Burdick.

EDWARD MALLINCKRODT'S BODY FOUND.

The body of Edward Mallinckrodt, 3rd, of St. Louis, was recovered from the ocean a short distance off Nahant, Mass., on January 25th. The deceased, a Harvard College freshman aged twenty years and son of the head of the Mallinckrodt Chemical Works, St. Louis, was drowned December 29th, with a companion when their airplane dropped into the sea. His father came immediately and was present at the search for the body until January 22nd, when he returned to the family home. The medical examiner, Dr. Nathaniel Breed of Lynn, issued a certificate of death by drowning, and the body was removed to St. Louis. The body of the companion in the airplane, Donald McKay Frost of Boston, was recovered two weeks earlier.

JOHN B. EBBS.

John Buddington Ebbs, the oldest druggist in Waterbury, Connecticut, died January 28th, at St. Mary's Hospital, aged 71 years. Mr. Ebbs had been ill only a few days, having suffered a shock on Thursday, January 26th.

Mr. Ebbs was a native of London, England, but had been a resident of Waterbury for the past 45 years, becoming associated with the North End Drug Company soon after his arrival in the city. During the years from 1897 to 1906, he served as treasurer of the Connecticut Pharmaceutical Association, and was a former member of the state Pharmacy Commission. Mr. Ebbs was one of the original trustees of the Connecticut College of Pharmacy, and one of the six founders to whom the charter for the College was granted. At the time of his death he was secretary of the Board of Trustees of the College.

JOHN C. KRIEGER.

We regret not having had information before now relative to the death of our fellow-member, John Christian Krieger, of Salamanca, N. Y. He died October 12th, and had been a member of the American Pharmaceutical Associa-TION since 1908. Mr. Krieger had been a resident of Salamanca during all of his life and was highly regarded as citizen and pharmacist. The home paper closed a tribute to him in the following words: "John C. Krieger was a keen, upright business man, a true friend, a good citizen, and because of these qualities was loved by all who knew him. He was a loyal, loving and generous husband and father, and it is because of these traits of character that he will be best remembered by those who knew him most intimately."

The deceased was born March 8, 1870, in Salamanca. In early youth he entered the drug business and graduated from the College of Pharmacy, University of Buffalo. He was eminently successful as wholesale and retail druggist. He founded the Krieger Drug Company and was manager for many years of Ellicott Drug Company, and established other drug stores, all of which were marked by Mr. Krieger's activity and ability. Surviving Mr. Krieger are his wife, Jennie F. Krieger, a daughter, Miss Louise, and three sons—A. E., John G., and G. Hubert,

J. J. THOMSEN.

John J. Thomsen, at one time prominent in the drug and chemical trades of Baltimore, died suddenly of a heart attack on February 3rd, at his home in that city. The deceased was a son of the late John J. Thomsen, a member of the old wholesale drug firm of Thomsen & Muth. The deceased was seventy-five years old and a graduate of Harvard University. For many years he was a member of the Maryland Club. His wife and a brother, Hammond J. Thomsen, survive.

Members of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION were saddened by the news of the death of Maxwell Poerstel, son-in-law of Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Hilton on December 22nd, after a brief illness resulting from a fall, followed by pneumonia. The deceased leaves a wife and three small children; sympathy is expressed to the members of the family.

Mrs. D. O. Haynes, widow of the late D. O. Haynes, who was a publisher of drug and chemical journals, died February 5th, at Tampa, Fla. Her home was at Garden City, L. I. Mrs. Haynes was seventy-three years old and a native of Detroit. Two daughters and three sons survive, one son, William Haynes, being publisher of a chemical trade journal.

SEEK BAN ON PROMISCUOUS DIS-TRIBUTION OF BARBITURIC ACID DRUGS IN WISCONSIN.

A ban on the promiscuous sale by drug stores and others of a number of dangerous drugs compounded from barbituric acid will be sought by the Wisconsin Pharmaceutical Society, according to an announcement by William M. Rheineck, Milwaukee, chairman of the society's legislative committee, who said the move by the druggists has the support of many Wisconsin physicians.