

## EDITORIAL NOTES

*Because of association matter in this issue a number of items were omitted from this department.*

### COMPARISON OF CYANIDE ANTIDOTES.

Sodium nitrite combined with sodium thiosulphate, sodium nitrite, methylene blue and sodium thiosulphate, in order of decreasing efficiency, have been found to be clinically useful and experimentally effective in protective and resuscitative treatments of fatal cyanide poisoning, according to a recent paper of P. J. Hanzlik and A. P. Richardson of Stanford University, School of Medicine. They also found glycerinic aldehyde to be experimentally effective but clinically inadvisable.

### NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDEN IN WASHINGTON.

The House Library Committee in coöperation with botanists and others has provided for the appointment of sub-committees to carry on the work of establishing a great national botanic garden. Frederic A. Delano, chairman of the National Capital Park Planning Commission, has agreed to act as chairman of the general committee and will appoint the sub-committees. The project is of general interest, including pharmacists. More than 400 questionnaires have been addressed to botanic gardens in all parts of the world, seeking information, and many replies have been received.

### NORTHWEST RECTANGLE, WASHINGTON.

"The Northwest Rectangle, under plans announced by the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, promises to become an architectural rival of the downtown triangle, one of the world's most imposing cluster of Government buildings.

"This site plan, released by the Park and Planning Commission, shows graphically the composition of the proposed Northwest Rectangle. On the extreme left (west) are the Naval Museum and Navy Building of the future. Then come the National Institute of Health and Naval Hospital, now in use. Next are the projected War Department, three undesignated buildings and the Interior Building. A strip along E Street between

Eighteenth and Twenty-Third would be transformed into a chain of small parks. To the south, between C Street and Constitution Avenue, are indicated the *American Institute of Pharmacy*, National Academy of Sciences, Public Health Service and proposed administration building of the Pan-American Union. The square bounded by Twentieth and Twenty-First Streets, C Street and Constitution Avenue and now occupied by a temporary building housing the Federal Trade Commission would be the site of some future semipublic building."

### PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

We are advised that the names of Mr. and Mrs. W. Paul Briggs and of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Hocking, of Washington, D. C., were not included in the List of Registrants in May JOURNAL, A. PH. A.

At recent commencement exercises of St. John's University, Dean John L. Dandreau, of the College of Pharmacy, was awarded the degree of Doctoris Judicæ Scientiæ (S.J.D.).

Samuel C. Henry, former secretary of the N. A. R. D., has been named associate editor of the *American Druggist*.

Dean J. G. Beard was honored at the commencement exercises by associates at the University of North Carolina, on the completion of his 25th year as teacher in the School of Pharmacy.

Thurston Merrell spoke on "The Personal Factor in Pharmacy," at the recent meeting of West Virginia Pharmaceutical Association.

A. Kiefer Mayer was awarded the degree of bachelor of science in pharmacy at the commencement exercises of Indianapolis College of Pharmacy. The degree was conferred by F. E. Bibbins, president of the Board of Trustees.

E. V. Zoeller, of Tarboro, N. C., was, on June 14th, presented with a national certificate of honorary membership in the Rho Chi Society. The presentation was made at a dinner given at the State University by the local chapter after tributes had been paid to his life and career. The other members of the Board of Pharmacy as well as the teaching staff of the School were present as invited guests. Mr. Zoeller became a member of the A. PH. A. in 1878.