

## EDITORIAL NOTES

### PLEASE NOTE.

Owing to the large number of Addresses, Council Business and Reports, the Editorial Notes and matter usually following have been omitted. The lateness in receiving some of them and the fact that the September issue of the JOURNAL will soon be completed, these pages will be included in that issue. For Roster of Associations, Boards, etc.—see July JOURNAL.

### NOMINEES FOR A. PH. A. OFFICERS, 1936-1937.

For *President*, George D. Beal, Pittsburgh, Pa.; John Culley, San Francisco, Calif.; E. Fullerton Cook, Philadelphia, Pa. For *First Vice-President*, W. J. Husa, Gainesville, Fla.; J. Leon Lascoff, New York, N. Y.; H. W. Youngken, Boston, Mass. For *Second Vice-President*, A. O. Mickelsen, Portland, Ore.; E. R. Serles, Brookings, S. D.; James C. Munch, Philadelphia, Pa.

Three will be elected from the following nine nominees for places on the Council; W. D. Adams, Forney, Tex.; F. E. Bibbins, Indianapolis, Ind.; W. Mac Childs, Topeka, Kan.; H. C. Christensen, Chicago, Ill.; C. J. Clayton, Denver, Colo.; C. H. Evans, Warrenton, Ga.; R. P. Fischelis, Trenton, N. J.; Ernest Little, Newark, N. J.; A. L. I. Winne, Richmond, Va.

### NATIONAL PHARMACY WEEK.

National Pharmacy Week will be held during the week of October 21st, the change of date is made largely in order to give colleges of pharmacy time in which to prepare for the annual event. Honorable mention certificates and prizes will be offered for window displays. The Washington, D. C., Wholesale Drug Exchange has announced a prize of a balance and honorable mention certificates will be offered by the National Association of Retail Druggists and the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

We have had a number of inquiries regarding Pharmacy Week maps from private and public schools and are advised that Secretary E. L. Newcomb of the N. W. D. A. still has a number of these maps; pharmacists should make application from their wholesale druggists.

### UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION.

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an open competitive examination for Associate Electrochemist. Applications for the position of associate electrochemist must be on file with the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., not later than September 16, 1935. At present there is a vacancy in this position in the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils, Department of Agriculture.

The entrance salary is \$3200.00 a year, less a deduction of 3½ per cent toward a retirement annuity.

Applicants must have been graduated with a bachelor's degree from a college or university of recognized standing upon the completion of at least 118 semester hours, of which at least 30 semester hours must have been in chemistry. In addition, they must have had at least three years' experience, acquired since graduation, of a progressive specialized technical character in electrochemical manufacturing plants, preferably in the production of chlorine, chlorates or persulphates. Such experience must have necessitated a thorough knowledge of electrochemistry and must have involved familiarity with and responsibility for plant operation and production costs. The major portion of the experience must have been obtained within the 10 years immediately preceding the date of the close of receipt of applications.

Full information may be obtained from the secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post-office or custom-house in any city which has a post-office of the first or the second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

### INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF PHARMACY.

The Twelfth International Congress of Pharmacy was held in Brussels during the week of July 29th. M. Pattou, President of the National Pharmaceutical Society of Belgium, and also the Congress, presided at the meeting and the opening ceremonies were attended by the King and Queen of Belgium. There were also present the French and Bra-

zilian Ambassadors and dignitaries from a number of countries.

President Pattou explained the objects of the Conference and spoke of Pharmacy as a profession, possessing equal rank with the other learned professions of the world.

Dr. J. Bruegelmans gave a history of the Conference and referred to the participating countries in the organizations represented, and that the reports of the Conference should be printed in the respective publications.

A meeting was held for the discussion of the International Pharmacopœias, at which time papers were read by the participants of the Congress, among these a report was made by Prof. Oscar Van Schoor, secretary of the International Pharmacopœia Commission.

Following a discussion it was decided that the League of Nations would be asked to establish a commission for the production of an International Pharmacopœia and that the meetings of the Commission be held in Brussels. A general opinion prevailed that the first International Pharmacopœia should be limited to a description of certain reagents and methods of analysis on which the participants are in agreement. Discussions were also held and other discussions dealt with army pharmaceutical service.

## PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

**Dr. Marshall A. Howe** was appointed director of the New York Botanical Gardens, succeeding Dr. Elmer D. Merrill.

*The Ebert award*, a gold medal, was presented to Marvin J. Andrews, of the faculty at the University of Maryland, for a "meritorious scientific research paper"—"Determination of the Reasonable Permissible Margin of Error in Dispensing," at the annual convention in Portland, Oregon, of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

H. C. Christensen, of Chicago, was given a plaque in recognition of his services in handling exhibits at the Chicago World's Fair.

The bulletin of **W. Bruce Philip** for August 9th gives available information relative to weighing and measuring, the purpose being to insure accuracy in prescription practice.

**William A. Noyes**, *emeritus director* of the laboratories of the University of Illinois, received the Priestley medal, highest award of the American Chemical Society, at the general session of the meeting of the society, August 19th, in San Francisco. The subject of his medalist

address was "The Way Forward in Chemistry."

**F. W. Meissner**, La Porte, Ind., had his 50th display at the La Porte County Fair. His booth on this occasion was decorated in gold trimming.

**Hon. Frank J. Kobelak**, of the Pennsylvania Legislature, whose fair trade bill was signed by Governor Earle, is a druggist of Pittsburgh.

An organization has been formed for the study of problems associated with phenolphthalein; the research activities will be under direction of **Dr. Bernard Fantus**, assisted by a research staff at the University of Illinois.

The memorial of the late Dr. F. B. Kilmer will be perpetuated by a Memorial Garden being planned by the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science east of the college building.

**Frederick G. Zinser** was born in New York, N. Y., March 20, 1868, received his primary education in the public schools of New York, N. Y., after which he attended Columbia University, from which he graduated with the class of 1888. Subsequently he spent several years in Louvain, Göttingen and Heidelberg where, in 1891, he obtained the degree of doctor of philosophy. Dr. Zinser has been elected president of Sharp & Dohme.

**John A. Gerlach**, Baltimore, Md., presented a Prescription Balance to the Museum of the American Institute of Pharmacy.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Lyman W. Griffin upon the completion of a half-century of life together. Lyman Griffin started in the drug business in 1874, entering the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1879 and graduating in 1882. He was made a life member of his alma mater, served as its secretary for twenty-five years and is now a vice-president of the college. After more than sixty years in retail pharmacy, he is now actively engaged in the management of The J. G. Godding store in Boston. He has given generously of his time and effort to pharmaceutical organizations; he is a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, and for many years has been treasurer of both the Massachusetts State Pharmaceutical Association and the Boston Association of Retail Druggists.

Dr. Frank Lee Pyman is to receive the Hanbury Medal for 1936.

## SEVENTH AMERICAN SCIENTIFIC CONGRESS.

The Seventh American Scientific Congress will be held in Mexico City, Mexico, Septem-