PROCEEDINGS OF THE LOCAL BRANCHES

"All papers presented to the Association and its branches shall become the property of the Association, with the understanding that they are not to be published in any other publication than those of the Association, except by consent of the Committee on Publication."—By-Laws, Chapter X, Art. III.

Reports of the meetings of the Local Branches should be mailed to the Editor on the day following the meeting, if possible. Minutes should be typewritten, with wide spaces between the lines. Care should be taken to give proper names correctly, and manuscript should be signed by the reporter.

CHICAGO

The fifth regular meeting of the Chicago Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held Friday evening May, 28th, at the University of Illinois School of Pharmacy building, at 8.00 o'clock. President Clark presided. The attendance was large.

The evening was devoted to reports from delegates and others who attended the Annual Meeting in Washington, and the decennial Pharmacopoeial Convention. Professor Day reported for the general activities of the A. Ph. A. meeting, calling attention to the principal items of business, the considerable number of very fine papers and addresses, and the very pleasant features of entertainment at this meeting.

S. C. Henry discussed in particular his impressions of the Pharmacopoeial Convention. He called particular attention to the fact that though retail druggists were well represented at this convention very few were elected to the Revision Committee. He deplored this and believed that if actual retail pharmacy was more fully represented on this Committee, there would be a tendency to make the book more applicable to the drug store.

F. W. Meissner, of La Porte, Ind., formerly a trustee of the Pharmacopoeial Convention, spoke briefly, calling attention particularly to the splendid financial standing of the Convention and the fine opportunity the balance of some \$40,000 gives to the incoming Revision Committee for research.

Prof. C. M. Snow spoke upon several phases of the A. Ph. A. activities, dwelling especially on the most excellent addresses of prohibition officers Kraemer and Gaylord. He also called attention to the fact that the House of Delegates should be strengthened in its personnel and in its activities.

Secretary Gathercoal called the attention of the meeting to the fact that this was the last meeting of the spring, but that already plans were being made for a big meeting in October, at which the 135 Soldier and Sailor members, resident in Chicago, would be given particular entertainment, and called for expressions of opinion as to the most desirable form of this entertainment. It was the opinion of several, including some of our S. and S. members, that no features of the war should be included but rather strictly pharmaceutical material. So it was decided to call upon pharmacists of foresight to present, at this October meeting, the immediate future of American pharmacy to these young men.

Prof. A. H. Clark talked most interestingly about the many beautiful and attractive features of the city of Washington and the great public buildings, illustrating the talk with 100 lantern slides, many of them just completed from pictures the speaker had taken at the meeting.

E. N. GATHERCOAL, Secretary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL FORMULARY COMMITTEE.

To the American Pharmaceutical Association:*

The National Formulary Committee appointed for the fourth revision of the National Formulary has not yet fairly begun its work. The committee consists of six retail pharmacists, five pharmacy teachers, three who are connected with manufacturing establishments and one physician. This has been commented upon by Professor J. U. Lloyd as an exceptionally well-balanced committee.