

OBITUARY.

ERNEST SOLVAY.

Ernest Solvay, originator of the Solvay process, died at Brussels, Belgium, on May 26th, at the age of 84 years. On his seventy-sixth birthday M. Solvay was appointed by King Albert a Grand Officer of the Order of Leopold, and he also received the Lavoisier Medal of the Institute of France and the Grand Medal of the University of Paris. He, in turn, presented \$100,000 each to the Universities of Paris and Nancy and divided \$1,000,000 among Belgian educational and charitable institutions and the employees of his firm, the Solvay Society of Brussels.

HENRY GEORGE DUERFELDT.

Henry George Duerfeldt, prominent Spokane business man and owner of the Columbia Pharmacy, died of diabetes June 24, after an illness of 18 months.

Mr. Duerfeldt was born on a farm near Williamsville, Neb., July 16, 1871. At the age of 13, tiring of farm life, he went to work for his uncle, Henry M. Perchen, who owned a drug store in Helena, and with him began his career as a pharmacist. He was married in Helena, April 21, 1897, to Miss Edna Matthews and later accepted a position with the Montana Drug Company in Butte.

In 1909 he came to Spokane to become manager of Murgittroyd's which position he held until 1914, when he bought the Columbia Pharmacy, which he developed into a large business.

Mr. Duerfeldt served two years as president of Washington Pharmaceutical Association and was active in the Spokane Ad Club, the Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations.

Mr. Duerfeldt was a trustee in the Grace Baptist Church, and a member of the Elks and Masonic lodges, and served as a member of the board of druggist examiners before the abolishment of the board by the new state code.

Mr. Duerfeldt in a quiet way did much for many who had met with misfortune and because of his kindness, his winning personality and his ceaseless energy, he was highly esteemed.

He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Kathryn, and two sons, Tracy and Theron. Tracy graduated in pharmacy May 1922, from Washington State College and had planned to study medicine. He was awarded the Fairchild Scholarship last year.

JOHN H. SNIVELY.

John H. Snively, of Brooklyn, consulting editor of *The Druggists' Circular* since

1904, and for eighteen years prior to that time its managing editor, died June 4 in his eighty-second year. Besides being an editor he was the author of tables for qualitative chemical analysis and of a treatise on the manufacture of perfumes, both of which, especially the latter, had a considerable vogue in their time. He was also, in the seventies, professor of analytical chemistry in the Tennessee College of Pharmacy, and its registrar. At that time he was engaged in the retail drug business at Nashville.

Mr. Snively was born at Shepherdstown, Va. (West Virginia since 1872), December 16, 1840, and engaged in the drug business at Hagerstown, across the Potomac, on the Maryland side, before going to Nashville.

WILLIAM LITTLE CURRIE.

W. L. Currie, chemist and druggist at Glasgow, president of the British Pharmaceutical Society, 1918-1920, died May 25, aged 65. He was a strenuous and consistent lifelong advocate of rational pharmaceutical education, and a loyal organization man. We quote from an editorial of the *Pharmaceutical Journal and Pharmacist*, June 3: "He also did monumental work for the organization of pharmacy, first as a member, then as President for the record period of thirteen years, of the Glasgow and West of Scotland Pharmaceutical Association, as Chairman of the Federation of Local Associations, which did more than point the way to more recent developments of organization, as a member and Vice-Chairman of the Executive of the North British Branch, and more notably still during his nineteen years' membership of the Council—three years as Vice-President, and two years as President. His constant endeavor throughout was to make himself worthy of the profession to which he was wedded, and to make it worthy and of good repute both within its own borders and in the knowledge and esteem of the community and the nation."

The president of the Glasgow Pharmacy Club, H. P. Arthur, said of him, "he did with all his might whatsoever his hand found to do. This trait was manifested more particularly during his term as President of the Pharmaceutical Society—surely the most troublesome two years any president ever experienced. The calls upon him were incessant, but duty had to be done even though the strain should prove too much for his not too robust physique; and the

price of that service has now been paid. In Glasgow, where his public service began, no man was held in higher esteem by his *confrères*, and

though in later years some there were who differed from him on various questions, he retained to the last the affection and respect of them all."

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

CLEVELAND MEETING OF AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

It is time to prepare for the Cleveland Meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association—to convene Monday, August 14, 1922.

See your R. R. agent promptly relative to rates on Certificate Plan. The tentative program of the Association will be found under "Council Business" of this issue. The program of the American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties is printed in the pages of the department assigned them.

If you have a paper or report to present, please send it to a Section officer, Association, or Committee. The Association roster is printed in the May JOURNAL, pp. 380-385, and calendar of state meetings on page 386.

The Statler Hotel has been selected as headquarters hotel; rates at other hotels can be obtained by writing to the Local Committee; please see page 328, May JOURNAL, and page X of June issue.

THE SECTIONS OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

1. Scientific Section.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM.

Chairman's Address. Committee Reports. Business Section.

Symposium: Revision of the Pharmacopoeia and National Formulary.

Address by Chairman of U. S. Pharmacopoeia Revision Committee. E. Fullerton Cook.

Address by Chairman of National Formulary Revision Committee. Wilbur L. Scoville.

2. Discussion led by Chairmen of Sub-Committees.

PAPERS.

"Color Standardization in the U. S. Pharmacopoeia." E. N. Gathercoal.

3. Physics.

"Physics in Pharmacy." John Uri Lloyd.

"Electrometric Methods of Drug Assay." W. J. McGill.

4. Pharmaceutical Botany and Pharmacognosy.

"The Status of Drug Plant Growing in the United States in 1921." W. W. Stockberger.

"A Garden of Herbs." Caswell A. Mayo.

"Kino, Gambir and Catechu." E. N. Gathercoal and R. E. Terry.

"Uniformity of Powdered Drugs." E. L. Newcomb.

"The Occurrence of Forms of Calcium Oxalate in Official Crude Drugs." E. T. Wherry and Geo. I. Keenan.

"Organic Constitutions of Vegetable Drugs." E. L. Newcomb.

"A Review of Crude Drug Imports for the Past Year at the Port of New York." E. L. Schwarz.

"Work of the Pharmacognosy Laboratory, Bureau of Chemistry." A. Viehoveer.

5. Pharmaceutical Chemistry.

Manufacturing:

"Fluid Extract of Ergot." J. P. Snyder.

"Influence of Hydrochloric Acid in Cinchona Preparations." Wilbur L. Scoville.

"Improved Process for the Manufacture on a Large Scale of F. E. Glycyrrhiza U. S. P." Geo. W. Regg.

"Hot Extraction." Wilbur L. Scoville.

Preparations.

"Solution of Chlorinated Soda." E. Frank Kelly and John C. Krantz, Jr.

"Solubility of Chloroform in Simple Syrup and Other Syrups." Geo. W. Regg.

"Petroleum Base for Ointment Zinc Oxide, U. S. P." Geo. W. Regg.

Assay Methods.

"A Method for Assaying Ointment of Stramonium, U. S. P." Richard Bliss, Jr., and M. F. Brown.

"The Quantitative Determination of Sparteine in Tablets." P. W. Jewel.

6. Biological Chemistry.

"Pepsin—Methods Used for Its Quantative Estimation—Its Permanence and Effectiveness in Some of Its Preparations." E. J. Traut and H. W. Vahlteich.

"Stability of Elixir Lactated Pepsin." Geo. W. Regg.

7. Pharmacology.

"Tad-poles and Toxicity." L. E. Sayre.

"Pharmacological Aspects of the Dispensing of Arsenic." E. W. Schwartz.

8. Chemistry of Foods, Beverages, etc.

"Analyses of One Hundred Present-Day Alcoholic Beverages." Henry Kraemer.

9. Review of Literature on Pharmaceutical Chemistry, by W. O. Emery, and likely by