

recent figures, a total of 2,241 concerns engaged in the business. These figures also show that of the total given, 1,396 concerns, or about 62 per cent., do less than \$20,000 a year gross business. They further show that over 28 per cent. of the manufacturers engaging in the making of drug products fail to do an annual gross business of more than \$100,000.

"In a manufacturing sense a business which does only \$5,000 a year gross is a loss. A business doing \$20,000 a year cannot make a return on the invested capital—yet here is included 62 per cent of the concerns that make proprietary products."

NORTHWEST DRUG EXPOSITION.

The fourth annual Northwest Drug Exposition will be held in Des Moines, February 23-26. The manager is Denny Brann, who took an active part on the Local Committee of the A. Ph. A. convention in Des Moines. The annual meeting of the Iowa Pharmaceutical Association will convene during the same week and the exposition is held under

the auspices of the Druggists' Association of Polk County and the Northwest Druggists Bureau composed of the pharmaceutical associations of Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, North and South Dakota.

The Iowa Pharmaceutical Association will hold its meetings in connection with this Exposition and its meetings are held in the mornings only. The Exposition is open to druggists in the afternoons, and in the evenings it is thrown open to the public. This follows the method of previous meetings. It gives the druggists an opportunity to attend all the meetings and suits the exhibitors.

PUBLIC LECTURES OF PHILADELPHIA COLLEGE OF PHARMACY AND SCIENCE.

The January lectures of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, at Young Men's Christian Association, are scheduled for the 7th and 21st. The first is by E. Fullerton Cook on "Delectable Confections" and the second on "Some Things Not Often Said about Milk," by David Wilbur Horn.

OBITUARY.

HARRY BANKS FRENCH.

Harry B. French, chairman of the board of directors of Smith, Kline & French Company, Philadelphia, died December 22, of pneumonia, aged sixty-eight years. He was for several years President of the Philadelphia Drug Exchange and a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1890.

Mr. French received his preliminary education at a military academy in New Haven and, later, he studied at the Universities of Pennsylvania and Harvard. Thereafter he became associated with French, Richards & Co., and when this firm was dissolved he was named Vice-President of the newly-organized firm of Smith, Kline & French Company. He became President of the Company after the demise of Mahlon N. Kline.

An editorial of a Philadelphia paper follows: "Harry Banks French was a type of the man of liberal education and large affairs who holds that he owes it to his community and to his fellow-citizens, as well as to his own self-respect, to continue against whatever odds the effort for the improvement of civic and political conditions. He gave lavishly of his means

and his personal effort, with no thought of reward in office or the praise of men, for



HARRY B. FRENCH.

though he was President of the Municipal League and was prominently identified with reform movements, he did not advertise his own contribution toward the public welfare; and while his opinions were fearlessly outspoken, he never sought the spotlight of notoriety. He proved that a man can resist influential politicians and still be successful in business, yet he never considered the effect of his acts or his views on his own fortunes."

The Protestant Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd at Rosemont, Pa., was erected by Mr. French in 1894 in memory of his first

wife, Augusta (Graham) French. He was very active in church affairs until the time of his death.

Mr. French is survived by his second wife, Elizabeth E. French, two sons, Clayton French and Graham French, and two daughters Mrs. Thomas Wallace, Prospect, Ky., and Mrs. Pearson Church Cummin, Devon, Pa.

He was a member of the Art Club, City Club, Harvard Club, Bachelors' Barge Club, Philadelphia Country Club, Merion Cricket Club and Church Club, and the Radnor Hunt.

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

PHI DELTA CHI TO MEET IN CHICAGO.

The twenty-sixth annual Grand Council of the Phi Delta Chi fraternity (Chemistry-Pharmacy) will be held at the Allerton House, 701 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, on the 11th, 12th and 13th of February, 1926. On account of the importance of the questions to be considered at this meeting and due to the convenience of Chicago to a large share of the membership of the Fraternity, it is expected that this Grand Council will see the best attended meeting that the Fraternity ever has held.

Chapter representatives from two new chapters will be present for the first time. These chapters have been installed at the University of Maryland and the Medical College of Virginia since the 1925 Grand Council. Twenty-six chapters from all sections of the United States will be represented by two or more delegates.

During the past year the Fraternity has continued with the publication of its quarterly magazine, "The Communicator," and has issued monthly for members only a new pamphlet "The Communicalendar." As the name implies, this is intended to carry advance notice of dates of various events throughout the Fraternity of interest to the alumni membership. Both publications are edited by R. P. Hollenback, 3134 North High St., Columbus, Ohio.

Grand Council arrangements are being made by the Grand Secretary of the organization, L. C. Heustis, 1662 Bellefontaine St., Indianapolis.

ORGANIC CHEMISTRY SYMPOSIUM.

A national symposium on organic chemistry was held December 29 to 31 at Rochester

under the auspices of the Division of Organic Chemistry of the American Chemical Society. Prof. Marston T. Bogart, of Columbia, chairman of the division, presided. A partial list of papers follows:—

"The Causation of Organic Reactions at the Surfaces of Solids," Homer B. Adkins, University of Wisconsin.

"Researches in the Thiazole and Selenazole Groups," Marston T. Bogart, Columbia University.

"Certain Developments in the Chemistry of Free Radicals," James B. Conant, Harvard University.

"Some Practical Criteria of the Purity of Crystalline Organic Compounds," John Johnston, Yale University.

"Quantitative Measurement of Chemical Reactivity of Organic Compounds," James F. Norris, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

OFFICERS OF ARIZONA ASSOCIATION.

The officers elected at the meeting of the Arizona Pharmaceutical Association, in Yuma, are as follows:

President, E. C. Stultz, Phoenix.

Vice-President, Charles Conners, Jerome.

Secretary-Treasurer, Arthur G. Hulett, Phoenix.

Executive Committee, J. Homer Smith, A. B. Pulvis, J. D. Weber, A. C. Crouch, Chas. Freeman. Phoenix was selected for the 1926 meeting.

W. Bruce Philip, past chairman of the House of Delegates, A. Ph. A., was one of the speakers.

OFFICERS IDAHO ASSOCIATION.

The officers elected by the Idaho Association at Pocatello are as follows: