

G. L. Haussamen comments on the benefits to be derived by organizations both state and national in the *Western Druggist*. He is highly impressed with the value and good work of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy of the National Association of Retail Druggists and of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

Charles W. Holton, Treasurer of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, and head of the Holzhauser Drug Company, at 783 Broad St., Newark, N. J., has leased the building at 853 Broad Street and will soon remove there. The Holzhauser business was located for more than seventy-five years at Broad and Market and since 1917, at 783 Broad Street.

Dr. Jacob Diner, Vice-Chairman of the House of Delegates, A. P. H. A., attended the convention of Iowa State Pharmaceutical Association at Des Moines during the week commencing February 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. George Binz, of Los Angeles,

will make an automobile journey to New York City and other Eastern points; thereafter they will return by ship via Panama Canal. The coming convention will be the first annual meeting of California Pharmaceutical Association which Mr. Binz has failed to attend.

Ralph D. Bienfanz, of Jefferson, and Harold G. Hewitt, of Milwaukee, are the holders of the thirteenth award of the Hollister fellowship in pharmacy, established in 1912 by a bequest of Mrs. Kittie E. V. Hollister and in 1917 by a bequest of A. H. Hollister. The principal now is \$10,326.06. The scholarship is awarded to a pharmaceutical graduate of the University who has served an apprenticeship in Wisconsin.

Prof. B. S. Hopkins, professor of Inorganic Chemistry at the University of Illinois, has announced the discovery of a new element—illinium. He shares the honor with L. F. Yntema and J. A. Harris of the Chemistry staff. The element falls in between neodymium and samarium.

OBITUARY.

ADOLPH A. POEHNER.

We are advised of the death of Adolph A. Poehner, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, at San Francisco, on February 18, 1926, of coronary embolus.

Dr. Poehner is a graduate in medicine and also of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, class of 1886. The deceased was a member of the Pennsylvania and California Pharmaceutical Associations. He joined the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION in 1907.

ARTHUR ROBERTSON CUSHNY.

Dr. Arthur Robertson Cushny, professor of Materia Medica and Pharmacology at Edinburgh University, since 1918, died February 25, at his home in Edinburgh, aged sixty years.

He studied and graduated in arts and medicine at Aberdeen University and took post-graduate courses at the Universities of Berne and Strassburg, and for some time was assistant at the latter. From 1893 to 1905 he was Professor of Pharmacology in the University of Michigan. In 1905 he came to the University College, London, where he remained until 1918, when he was appointed to the chair of Pharmacology in Edinburgh University, which he occupied until the time of his death.

Prof. Cushny's work was well known internationally and his textbook of Pharmacology

and Therapeutics is a recognized authority. Quoting from an article in the *Pharmaceutical Journal and Pharmacist*:—"He did medicine a great service by sifting out useful from useless drugs, and separating from the mass of information on drugs that which could be relied upon as compared with dubious observations on the supposed action of drugs. This work was greatly appreciated both by doctors and students. He also made a special research as to the relationship between chemical structure and pharmacological action in relation to optical isomerism which formed the subject of a series of lectures he delivered at Baltimore, in the summer of 1925. In 1917 he published a classical and exhaustive research on 'The Secretion of the Urine,' which exhibits his extraordinary faculty of scientific criticism and is regarded as a masterpiece by physiologists. In 1924 he published 'The Action and Uses in Medicine of Digitalis and Its Allies,' giving an account of his own studies and the work of other investigators from the time of Withering onwards. From the time he came to Edinburgh in 1918 he took an active and very helpful interest in the work of the Pharmaceutical Society, and more especially in the Edinburgh Evening Scientific Meetings, in connection with which he was always most ready to give any information or advice."