Walter and "What Is the Principal Cause of Price Cutting?" Robert S. Lehmann.

At a recent meeting of Pittsburgh Branch, A. Ph. A., Prof. Louis Saalbach gave a comprehensive review of U. S. P. X, comparing that edition with its predecessor. He prefers the inclusion of molecular weights in the individual monographs, and comments on the addition of new chemical compounds. The paper gives brief consideration to most of the changes and additions in an instructive way. He also discusses the designations of titles

of some of the preparations, as for example Cinchona, the preparations of which may differ in appearance, because both red and yellow cinchona are permissible, if they comply with the standard of strength. The title of Compound Cathartic Pills was changed so as not to indicate the action or purpose, but the title of Smallpox Vaccine evidently does not follow the same lines of reasoning. As indicated the paper presents quite a complete summary of changes, etc., with which the pharmacist must become acquainted.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## ABSTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF LIFE MEMBERS, A. PH. A.

J. F. Geisler.—"I beg to acknowledge the receipt of Certificate of my election to Life Membership in the American Pharmaceutical Association, and hope that I may be of use in furthering the interests and purposes of the Association for many years to come. It is interesting to look over the work of the Association of the past seventy-five years and note the self-sacrifice of many of the old members and the good work they did in the interest of science and Pharmacy in particular."

William C. Kirk.—"I regret that in the past I could not have been of as great a service to the Association as the latter has been to me."

S. Nevin.—"I shall always feel proud of the ownership of the certificate, and am going to hang it in a prominent place in my office."

Carl Weeks.—"Membership certificate has been received. It will be framed and hung in a position of honor."

C. Mahlon Kline.—"I have received the certificate of life membership in the American Pharmaceutical Association which I am having framed and which will decorate my office. I have always held the American Pharmaceutical Association in the highest regard and it gives me a feeling of great satisfaction to know that I am to be a member of the Association for the rest of my life."

John Thomas Moore.—"While records may show that I have taken little active part in annual meetings as evidenced by attendance, I wish to say that absences were due to uncontrollable circumstances.

"I welcome the receipt of the JOURNAL every month. The YEAR BOOKS are more or less in daily use. While I am physically debarred from active work, I am more than glad to mentally appreciate the progress that accompanies and elevates the Science and Art of Pharmacy as shown and recorded in the Association's literature.

"I put the certificate of acknowledged years of fraternity by the side of the original certificate showing membership. The certificate notification was in the nature of an accolade, for which I think it only right to express gratitude. I hope that I may enjoy many years of the promising future of the Association in common with those of regular sustaining membership."

Charles G. Merrell.—"I have been a member of this Association for a good many years and have appreciated the work that has been done, and hope that with the activities that are now taking place, the A. Ph. A. may fully come into its own and occupy even a more prominent place in pharmacy than it has in the past."

H. H. Rusby.—"The reflections that the certificate suggests are very gratifying, in spite of the many unpleasant incidents that are brought to mind. Per opera ad astra was the motto of my class, and the principle rings more truly as I near the end than at any previous time. It is a great joy to realize that I have done my bit in developing this great Association. The best part of it is to see the large army of young people who seem to inherit the worthy spirit that actuated their predecessors. We should overlook rash, impulsive and injudicious acts, in view of a sound basis."