to hammer a somewhat heterogeneous collection of information and formulas into a substantial work of reference which may properly be recognized as a standard."—A correspondent in Chemist & Druggist.

AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION.

Evarts B. Greene, professor of history in Columbia University, was chosen President of the American Historical Association for 1930. at the forty-fourth annual meeting of the organization. Other officers for the coming year are: First Vice-President, Ephraim Douglas Adams, Stanford University; Second Vice-President, Carl L. Becker, Cornell University; Secretary, Dexter Perkins, University of Rochester. Members of the Executive Council are: Payson J. Treat, Stanford University; William L. Clements, Bay City, Mich.; Samuel E. Morison, Harvard University; Winfred T. Root, State University of Iowa; Elizabeth Donnan. Wellesley College; Joseph G. de Roulhac Hamilton, University of North Carolina; Dixon Ryan Fox, Columbia University; Ulrich B. Phillips, Yale University.

Prof. Greene, teacher and author, has long been prominent in the historical sciences. He is former vice-president of the association, and has been active in the movement to raise an endowment of \$1,000,000 for historical research. He was born in Kobe, Japan, July 8, 1870. He studied at Northwestern University from 1885 to 1888, and was graduated from Harvard College with a degree of bachelor of arts in 1890. From Harvard he received the A.M. in 1891, and the Ph.D. in 1893.

During 1893-1894 he studied at Berlin University as Harris traveling fellow of Harvard. In 1894 Dr. Greene joined the faculty of the University of Illinois as assistant professor and dean of the College of Literature and Arts. In 1923 Dr. Greene came to Columbia where since 1926, he has been DeWitt Clinton professor of history.

Prof. Greene has been president of the Trustees of the Illinois State Historical Library, member of the Illinois State Centennial Commission, and secretary of the council of the American Historical Association.

He is a corresponding member of the Chicago and Minnesota Historical Societies and the Colonial Society of Massachusetts. He is a fellow of the Royal Historical Society and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

He was chairman of the National Board of Historical Service in 1917-1918, and has been a member of the board of editors of The American Historical Review since 1923.

The Historical Section, Army War College, is gathering material for account of activities of Expeditionary Forces, which is soon to be published.

The work of the Section follows two broad lines:

- 1. Researching, collecting, examining, indexing and collecting data from the official records of the War Department and other official agencies, which, when properly collated, will provide the material for complete and accurate accounts of the participation of the military forces of the United States in the World War; and
- 2. The evaluation of differences found in the official records with a view to arriving at logical determinations of such historical differences.

The history of pharmacy in this connection would be helpful and interesting.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

H. R. 8372 seeks to appropriate \$6,500,000 for construction and equipment of an annex to the Library of Congress. The new building, under the terms of the bill, will contain space for book, newspaper and file stacks, for storage, reference and other rooms; card service and a branch printing office and bindery.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

C. Mahlon Kline, former president of the N. W. D. A., was seriously injured, December 22nd, when an airplane on which he was a passenger, was wrecked in making a landing at Indianapolis. Mr. Kline had his right arm and left leg broken and was badly bruised and shaken up. For a time it was feared that he might have been injured internally, but no indications of this have developed. His mother, Mrs. Mahlon N. Kline, reached the hospital, from Philadelphia, December 23rd. The trip and the shock were such a strain that Mrs. Kline, who is 83 years old, was obliged to go under the care of physicians in the hospital the next day. Both Mr. Kline and his mother are convalescent.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley will give up his professional activities January 1st. He has been associated with the Good Housekeeping Magazine since he left the Government service in 1912. According to the editor of that publication, Dr. Wiley will "remain so long as he lives, a member of our staff"—he is eighty-six years old.

Dr. David I. Macht has been elected a member of the American Society of Naturalists. This is the oldest biological society in America, having been founded in 1883; membership is esteemed as an honor.

At a meeting of the Boston Bacteriological Club held at Walker Memorial Building, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, on December 7th, Dr. George F. Reddish, gave an address on "Methods of Testing Disinfectants and Antiseptics." Dr. Reddish was formerly chief bacteriologist of the F. D. I. Administration of the Bureau of Chemistry in Washington, D. C.

January 21st was set aside by The College of Pharmacy of the City of New York as "Diekman Night," at which time President Paschal M. Everts, of the New York County Pharmaceutical Society, presented to the College a portrait of Dr. Diekman by Boris Luban. Dr. Willis G. Gregory delivered an address in which he spoke of the activities of Dr. Diekman in behalf of pharmacy.

Prof. Curt P. Wimmer presented an illustrated paper before the New York Academy of Medicine on January 8th on "An Historical Review of the Relationship of Medicine to Pharmacy."

The late Alfred Barth, a graduate of the class of 1874, of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, has made the College residuary legatee of his estate.

The popular science lectures are being continued every Wednesday. The subjects for February are as follows: "Ventilation and Comfort," Dr. D. W. Horn; "No More Pain," Prof. E. F. Cook; "Iodine, the Element of Doubt," Prof. Ivor Griffith; "The Rat Menace," Prof. Louis Gershenfeld.

At the Pasteur Assembly, held at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science on January 8th, an address was made by Dr. Joseph McFarland, and a portrait of Pasteur was presented to the College by Dr. William Duffield Robinson.

Ray M. Hudson, formerly Assistant Director of the National Bureau of Standards, has assumed new duties as Secretary of the Massachusetts Division and the New England Council.

President George W. Colborn, Jr., of the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association, entered into the holiday spirit by sending a greeting card to all the members of the ASSOCIATION.

The Perkin medal was presented on January 10th to Dr. Herbert H. Dow, president of the Dow Chemical Co., of Midland, Mich. The

presentation was made because of his developments of improvements in the production of chlorine, bromine, magnesium and numerous other chemical materials.

The New York Veteran Druggists' Association at its meeting on January 15th took action to honor Secretary Robert S. Lehman. The Committee having the affair in charge was composed of Robert R. Lampa, Dr. H. V. Arny, Dr. William C. Anderson, Treasurer J. Leon Lascoff, former President Nathaniel Nicolai, Adrian Paradis and Secretary Carl Benkendorfer. Frater Robert S. Lehman is an active and loyal member of the American Pharmaceutical Association and of many other organizations and is known and admired by every one as an unusually tireless and cheerful worker in the cause of pharmacy.

The last issue of *The Mask* was named the "A. Ph. A. Number," and it measured up to the name. Editor Bliss and the co-editors prepared an excellent issue. Aside from the fraternal items and editorials the number includes several articles of interest and value, among them: "The Professional Side of Pharmacy—Does Pharmacy Pay?" by H. J. Goeckel; "Water and Its Relation to Health," by A. O. Mickelsen; "The Gentle Art of Poisoning," by Walter J. Meck; "Prescriptions—the Backbone of the Drug Store," by Hal E. Duncan.

The Druggists Circular is publishing historical accounts of the Veterans' Associations and sketching the officers and members of the organizations.

Secretary Hayman, of West Virginia Association, issues most interesting letters to the membership; current events are featured by artistic sketches and appropriate lines.

Prof. E. N. Gathercoal has been elected Chairman of the Revision Committee of National Formulary VI. Prof. Adley B. Nichols is the new Secretary.

Samuel Y. Harris, president of the Baltimore Retail Druggists' Association and former president of Maryland Pharmaceutical Association, has been elected *Local Secretary* of the American Pharmaceutical, Association for the meeting in Baltimore during the week of May 5th.

George Young has celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his connection with the laboratory of Parke, Davis & Co., which anniversary was made the occasion of a presentation.

The New York office of Merck & Co., Inc., will be moved to the Butterick Building at 161 Sixth Ave.