

described. Maximum single doses are given and also the dosage for a day. Each monograph has a Latin heading and also the German name of the drug and preparation. In most instances the name of the chemical is followed by its chemical formula, molecular weight and the percentage amount of the important constituent; the arrangement is alphabetical. The book also contains a number of tables, comprising doses, poisons, a schedule of items that should be protected against light or other influences, a list of synonyms, and a comprehensive index. While the book has been prepared for German pharmacists, it will be found useful in American pharmacies, especially in those compounding foreign prescriptions.

The book is well bound and printed and serves a useful purpose.

*Anleitung zur medizinisch-chemischen Untersuchungen fuer Apotheker* (Introduction to clinico-chemical testing by pharmacists). By DR. PH. HORKEIMER. Verlag von Julius Springer, Berlin, 1930. 81 text pages, 16 illustrations. Price 6 marks.

The small book describes the clinico-chemical tests on which the pharmacist of the present day should be informed and qualified to apply. The author has given the methods which he has found useful in his practice, but advises that experience is required and also that with the development of this work other reference books will be needed. The text has been prepared in a way that will be understood and enable the pharmacist to apply the tests.

The greater part of the book deals with urinalysis in its various phases; first the method of collecting the sample of urine is explained and then the physical characteristics—the color, transparency, specific gravity, reaction and optical rotation. The following pages describe tests for albumin, sugar, acetone bodies, bile, coloring matters, indican, ammonia, urea, uric acid, total nitrogen, chlorides, etc. Next, the urinary sediments receive consideration, and the illustrations—photographic reproductions—show various urinary sediments. Other portions of the booklet deal with examination of the blood, stomach contents and bowel contents.

*The Calendar of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, 1930-1931*, published by the Society, 17 Bloomsbury Square, London, W. C. 1, England. Price 3s. 6d. The Calendar contains important data of the British Pharmaceu-

tical Society—officers and committees of the Society, also the names of the Committee for Revision of the "British Pharmaceutical Codex."

The opening pages give a history of the British Pharmaceutical Society, its pharmacy school and other activities, also a list of the funds, scholarships and prizes. A chronological record of former presidents, vice-presidents and treasurers since the foundation of the Society is included, and the honorary members and corresponding members of the Society are named. The Calendar contains its constitution and by-laws, a list of the British schools and colleges of pharmacy; a general outline of the examinations, and questions of several scholarship examinations are reprinted, and also of those for prize competition, with an alphabetical list of prize winners. The remainder of the book is given over to British pharmacy laws, their enforcement, etc.

The Calendar is of prime importance for British pharmacists and has value for those of other countries, particularly, for board of pharmacy and faculty members.

*Formulaire des Medicaments Nouveaux* for 1930, 35th Edition, compiled by Dr. R. WEITZ, member of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Paris, and pharmacist at the Paris dispensary. The preface has been written by PROF. PAUL CARNOT of the Faculty of Medicine, Paris. Published by J. B. Bailliere and Sons, 19 rue Hautefeuille, Paris, France. Price 32 francs, in paper binding.

Prior editions of this Formulary have been reviewed in the JOURNAL. In the preparation of this book the officials of the French Codex have not been included. The preparations are described in monographs and more attention has been given to the therapeutics than in other publications of this kind. While of first importance to the French pharmacist, the Formulary is of value in all pharmacies where foreign prescriptions are filled. Both official and trade names are given of chemicals, description and their dosage. An index of 60 pages speaks for the number of items which have received consideration in this Formulary. The concluding pages of the book contain an alphabetical list of pharmaceutical specialties, together with the names of the manufacturers.

*Fabrikations Methoden fuer Galenische Arzneimittel und Arzneiformen* (Manufacturing methods for galenicals and other forms of medication) by JOSEF WEICHHERZ and JULIUS