

he answers, "it can deserve and gain this freedom only by developing a higher order of self government and by tackling those problems which are of its own making instead of passing them on to government."

Rear-Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, retired, has sided with General MacArthur in his criticism of certain clergymen.

"My opinion," he said, "may be briefly expressed by saying that their significance is about the same as would be the replies of those 19,000 clergymen concerning proposed cures of cancer."

Admiral Fiske has stated a truth which applies in other activities. The following statement has been made in these pages, in another connection and is relevant. . . . "The deduction is that men of different professions may work together, but each class is best qualified to render service in the department for which the individuals have been trained by experience and education." The same thought was expressed and put into practice by Dr. John Morgan about 200 years ago.

*The New York Pharmacist* for May is an interesting number in which much attention is given to State Association matters; an important article is that on "Physician and Pharmacist," by H. V. Arny—it is the first of a series to be continued by other authors.

The Hudson County Retail Druggists Association has adopted a series of resolutions and articles which are being submitted to State associations for consideration. The resolutions are entitled "Prescription Department," "Advertising of U. S. P. and N. F. Preparations," "Combination or Companion Deals." Discussions on the subjects are included, all of them of interest to pharmacists.

In a recent report, Surgeon General H. S. Cumming of the Public Health Service indicates that the year ended June 30, 1930, has been characterized by additional legislation seeking to coördinate and crystallize the functions of the Narcotics Division, now designated by law as "Division of Mental Hygiene."

In the "Magazine Section" of *New York Times* S. J. Woolf sketches **William Jay Schieffelin** as a veteran crusader, whose interest in civic affairs exemplifies his belief that each citizen should perform his civic duties, and that the failure of graft inquiries is the result of citizens ignoring their duties. The wholesale drug firm of Schieffelin & Co., with minor changes in title, has been in

existence since 1794. Mr. Schieffelin is a former president of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association.

#### BRITISH CHEMICAL PLANT EXHIBITION.

The arrangements for the representative Exhibition of British Chemical Plant and Equipment which is to be held at Central Hall, Westminster, London, during the week of the Jubilee Celebrations of the Society of Chemical Industry from July 13th-18th, inclusive, are now practically complete. The whole of the available space has been booked with the greatest ease, thus showing the wide appeal which the Exhibition has made to owners of British chemical plants. Some fifty firms, among whom are the most important plant manufacturers in the country, will be exhibiting a wide range and variety of products.

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#### OBITUARY.

##### CHARLES GIETNER.

Charles Gietner, prominent pharmacist of St. Louis, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION for thirty years and charter member of the N. A. R. D., died at his home May 17th, aged 65 years. The deceased was a native of St. Louis.

Mr. Gietner, an alumnus of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy, was known as the "father of its alumni association" and served as the treasurer since 1890. In all movements for the betterment of pharmacy he took a leading part and missed only a few of the annual meetings of the A. PH. A.—He was known as "the grand old man of Missouri pharmacy."

Mr. Gietner was active in the Masonic bodies; funeral services were held at Masonic Temple. He is survived by his widow.

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**Jacob Schrodt**, a former president of Texas Pharmaceutical Association and prominent pharmacist, died at his home in Terrell, May 24th. He was an alumnus of Chicago College of Pharmacy, class of 1899.

Dr. Alfred Scott Warthin, noted pathologist, author and director of the University of Michigan pathological laboratories, died May 23rd, aged 66 years.