

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

N. A. R. D. RESOLUTIONS.

The National Association of Retail Druggists adopted twenty-one resolutions, the more important of which are summarized by the *Drug Trade News* as follows: To aid the Government in preparing and enforcing NRA codes and to seek to incorporate in such codes provisions which will put the independent druggist on a sound business basis. To urge the NRA to include the right of contract in the retail drug code and to seek the continuation of the policy which now exempts professional men from the provisions of the highest code. To ask President Roosevelt that the selling provisions of the druggists' code allow for overhead and a reasonable net profit. To ask General Johnson to appoint small independent druggists as advisers to NRA officials in charge of the retail code. That the practice of wholesale druggists or manufacturers engaging directly or indirectly in the retail drug business be condemned. That the giving of full-sized packages to physicians as samples be condemned. That the practice of some manufacturers who mention only a few dealers in advertising where their preparations may be obtained be condemned. That after repeal of the 18th Amendment steps be taken to obtain alcohol for manufacturing purposes under the same conditions as obtained by the large manufacturer.

That efforts be made to stop manufacturers from granting wholesale rates to certain retailers.

OFFICERS.

The following officers were elected: *President*, Monte L. Powell, Denver, Colo.; *First Vice-President*, H. L. Chichester, Macon, Ga.; *Second Vice-President*, George C. Bingham, New York City; *Third Vice-President*, Zack Kerrigan, St. Louis, Mo.; *Secretary*, John W. Dargavel, Minneapolis, Minn.; *Treasurer*, Oscar Rennebohm, Madison, Wis.; Members of Executive Committee, *Chairman*, Harvey A. Henry, Los Angeles, Calif.; George L. Secord, Chicago, Ill.; John Witty, Portland, Ore.

OFFICERS OF FEDERAL WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION.

H. J. Krupp, Philadelphia, was elected president of the Federal Wholesale Druggists'

Association at its eighteenth annual convention. L. E. Selberlich, New York City, was elected *Vice-President*; G. A. Raab, Baltimore, was re-elected *Treasurer*; R. E. L. Williamson was re-elected *Secretary*.

The outlook for the wholesale drug trade was declared by officers and members of the Association to be favorable in general, and consensus appeared to be toward considerable optimism.

Details of plans for adjusting the affairs of members of the Association in accordance with the principles of the NRA formed an important part of the discussions in the meeting, which was well attended by a large number of members. Providence, R. I., was selected for the 1934 meeting.

NATIONAL WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS ASSOCIATION.

Disapproval of the proposed revision of the Federal Food and Drugs Act, on the ground that it would not improve the present Federal and State laws and would add confusion and expense, was expressed by the National Wholesale Druggists' Association. Among other resolutions, the following are summarized as follows: Recommended discontinuance of sale of 10-cent lines in pharmacies. Asked its members to instruct buyers and salesmen to support manufacturers whose policies protect the profit of wholesaler and retailer. Recommended that members refrain from selling drug-store merchandise to grocery stores in towns where drug stores are located. Reiterated stand that most satisfactory basis of compensating salesmen is a graduated rate of commission on total net sales. Authorized survey of all types of insurance, looking toward savings through centralized insurance if fifty members will cooperate in such survey.

NEW OFFICERS.

President, Henry D. Faxon, Kansas City, Mo. *Vice-Presidents*, J. Mahlon Buck, Philadelphia; J. B. McCormick, Pittsburgh; E. H. DeMoss, Louisville; C. H. Gertridge, Seattle; Kayton Smith, Savannah. *Members of the Board of Control* (three-year term), John C. Davis, Denver; Lee Wilson Hutchins, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Charles A. Loring, Boston; William J. Murray, Columbia, S. C.

The convention was presided over by President Carl F. G. Meyer. The assemblage was

welcomed by Thomas Taggart and Judge M. L. Fansler. Delegates from fifteen organizations in the drug trade were received, and the greetings of the pharmaceutical press were extended by Walter H. Cousins, Dallas, Texas.

Secretary E. L. Newcomb gave a detailed report on the year's activities of his office. Encouraging and informative reports were presented at the several sessions by the standing committees of the association. The suggestions and recommendations of the secretary and committees were considered by the Board of Control and found expression in the report of that body and in the resolutions.

The registration at the meeting totaled about 550.

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., was selected as the place for the meeting next year.

MARYLAND ASSOCIATION.

A regional meeting of Maryland Pharma-

ceutical Association was held October 17th at Hagerstown. Dr. I. M. Wertz, Mayor of Hagerstown, welcomed the members at a Luncheon—the speakers were President L. V. Johnson and A. F. Ludwig, and response was made by Harry R. Rudy. Harry S. Harrison and A. F. Ludwig reported on the A. Ph. A. Convention and L. M. Kantner, Aquilla Jackson and L. V. Johnson on the meeting of the N. A. R. D.

Other contributors to the program were: A. A. M. Dewing, on "Contacting the New Comer;" "Professional Pharmacy as I See It," S. L. Hilton; "Physio-Therapy Methods and Appliances," M. J. Fadgen; "Building Professional Pharmacy," Simon Solomon; "National Legislation," W. Bruce Philip; "U. S. P. and N. F. Publicity," Marvin J. Andrews.

C. W. Smith, NRA, Washington, addressed the meeting at the Dinner.

OBITUARY.

CHARLES C. PLITT.

Dr. Charles C. Plitt, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and professor of Botany at the School of Pharmacy, University of Maryland, died at his home in Baltimore October 13th, after an illness extending over several months.

Dr. Plitt was born in Baltimore, May 6, 1869, and received his early education in the public schools of this city and a degree in pharmacy at the old Maryland College of Pharmacy in 1891. He was an instructor in Botany and General Science in the public schools of Baltimore and for many years taught at the City College. For a number of years he was part-time professor of Botany and Materia Medica at the School of Pharmacy and on the retirement of Dr. David R. M. Culbreth, Dr. Plitt was given full professorship.

Dr. Plitt's collection of lichens, which was considered among the first three collections in the United States, was presented by him to the Maryland Academy of Science.

Two years ago Dr. Plitt led a group of Johns Hopkins University students on a research expedition to Jamaica. For quite a number of years he headed a group of public school teachers on excursions into Maryland's fields and conducted similar groups of the Maryland

Academy of Science on collecting expeditions throughout the state.

Dr. Plitt was a frequent contributor to periodicals and a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, of the Botanical Society of America, of the Ecological Society of America.

The deceased is survived by his widow and three sons, Walter, George T. and Allen R. Plitt.

WOODS A. CAPERTON.

Woods A. Caperton, for many years associated with Eli Lilly & Co., died from a heart attack on October 10th at his home in Indianapolis. He retired from active business July 1932, and following that Mr. and Mrs. Caperton took an extended tour through Europe and other parts of the world.

In a minor capacity Mr. Caperton was engaged with Behrens Drug Co. in Waco, and for a time with W. B. Morrison, retail pharmacist, of the same city. In 1902, he engaged with Eli Lilly & Co. as representative in Texas. Four years later he became Assistant Sales Manager at the home office; in 1912 he was promoted to the position of Sales Manager.

Mr. Caperton was well and favorably known in wholesale and manufacturing circles. He