

## HOME OFFICE.

Those members who have not visited our home office should avail themselves of the opportunity whenever possible: Only those who have done so can visualize and appreciate the amount of work that is handled there each day and the competent and efficient manner in which thousands of inquiries are dispatched. The home office is a place where all of us have access to statistical data on all phases of the profession which it has taken many years of labor and study to compile. The information is available to those who ask for it.

The personnel is of the highest efficiency and can at all times be depended upon to give the maximum of service. They are to be commended for the work they are doing for Pharmacy and the Association.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Each year it becomes the sad duty to report the names of our beloved members that have laid down their tools and answered the call of Him who reigns in the place from whence no man returneth. Death must come to all of us. During the past year, the following members have passed into the Great Beyond:

Thomas C. Coltman, Colorado  
Oscar C. Draper, Delaware  
John E. Jackson, Virginia.

## CONCLUSION.

I now wish to express my deep appreciation to you for conferring upon me the highest honor within your power to bestow—the presidency of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

I have tried to serve you in a manner that would reflect credit upon the Association which is nearer to my heart than any of the multitude of bodies with which I am affiliated.

If I have been successful in only a small way and have contributed something to the upbuilding of the N. A. B. P., I shall feel well paid for my efforts.

To my successor, I wish a full measure of success and happiness, and I pledge him my loyalty and support in his administration of this high office.

To-morrow, when I lay down the gavel of office and return to the ranks, I will deem it a pleasure and a privilege to continue to work for the lofty ideals of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

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ABSTRACT OF PAPER PRESENTED BEFORE SCIENTIFIC SECTION, A. Ph. A.,  
WASHINGTON MEETING, 1934.

“The Stabilization of Syrup of Ferrous Iodide, U. S. P. X,” by William J. Husa and Lyell J. Klotz.

A study was made of the mechanism and rate of decomposition of ferrous iodide solutions and syrups. The decomposition involves a partial hydrolysis of ferrous iodide, oxidation of iodide ion and oxidation of iron. The oxidation of iodide ion was found to be a reaction of the first order with a specific reaction rate of  $3.2 \times 10^{-6}$ . An intensive study was made of the deterioration of Syrup of Ferrous Iodide, U. S. P. X. It was found that a stable syrup may be prepared by using dextrose in place of sucrose.