SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

RHO CHI SOCIETY.

The Rho Chi Society (Pharmaceutical Honor Society) held their annual convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on Tuesday evening, August 23, 1938. There were one hundred twenty-eight members and guests present at the annual dinner. Dean Emeritus Wilber J. Teeters, The State University of Iowa, was the speaker.

The convention of delegates and officers was convened immediately following the dinner, with Dr. Henry M. Burlage, president, presiding. Reports of the activities of the twentytwo chapters were heard and discussed. The sum of \$200.00 was added to the cumulative research fund, in which there was a total of \$1016. Contributions to this fund will be gratefully received from individuals and organizations.

Miss Zada M. Cooper, The State University of Iowa, was installed as National President to serve for the term 1938-1940. Dr. B. V. Christensen was installed as National Vice-President. New council members are Dean W. F. Sudro and Le Roy D. Edwards.

LOYD E. HARRIS, Secretary-Treasurer.

ALPHA ZETA OMEGA.

The meeting of the Supreme Chapter of Alpha Zeta Omega Fraternity was held in Hotel Ambassador, Atlantic City, N. J., June 30, 1938, Directorum Irving Harkavy presiding. Twelve chapters were represented and reports were submitted by their delegates. Arrangements were made for a master insurance policy for members of the Fraternity at a premium of \$7.60 for the first thousand and \$10.00 for each additional thousand, for the first year, and \$10.00 a thousand for the next fifteen years. The initial fee for new members will be \$20.00, including a \$1000 policy for one year.

The Fraternity went on record as favoring the organization of a National Jewish Pharmaceutical Association composed of Jewish organizations all over the country and the Directorum was authorized to send an accredited delegate to all meetings of other organizations of National importance to the Fraternity.

The Fraternity at a previous meeting decided to contribute publications to the Reference Library in the AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PHARMACY, as one of its activities.

The 1940 meeting of the Supreme Chapter will be held in Detroit.

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA.

The session opening the second century of the Medical College of Virginia began September 19th, with convocation exercises at 12:00 Noon.

In the School of Pharmacy Dr. J. A. Reese has returned from the University of Florida where he recently completed his work for the Ph.D. degree. He has been made assistant professor of Pharmacognosy. Dr. E. L. Outhouse has joined the staff as assistant in Biochemistry and Mr. Roscoe D. Hughes as associated in Biology. Mr. Eldon Roberts has been appointed instructor in Practical Pharmacy.

The Public Works Administration has made a grant of \$880,623 toward the construction of a new sixteen-story hospital and the rehabilitation of the historic Egyptian Building. The total construction cost is estimated at \$1,920,441.

FORDHAM OPENS NEW LABORATORY.

Dr. James H. Kidder, Dean of the College of Pharmacy of Fordham University, has announced the opening of a newly equipped laboratory for Applied Physiology and Pharmacology in the Pharmacy Building on the campus.

This is in conjunction with the inauguration of a new course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy. The laboratory will be used for the new courses in Physiology and Pharmacology for the Sophomore and Junior students in B.S. courses in Pharmacy and for graduate students who wish to further their studies.

It is fully equipped for research purposes and the most up-to-date apparatus for the study of body function and drug action is available for student use.

The laboratory will be under the direction of Dr. Leonard J. Piccoli, professor of Materia Medica, Pharmacology and Physiology.

Its facilities will also be used by the seniors and graduate students of Biochemistry who are taking courses in Anatomy and Physiology under Dr. Piccoli.