

will be no business done on which the tax can be levied and collected. According to many members who spoke briefly after the committee had announced its report, a more reasonable basis for taxes will still allow a large volume of business to be done on which the net gain to the Government will be a great deal more than would a big tax on a small volume of business.

The matter will be taken up with the Senate Finance Committee and an effort made to arrange a compromise of some sort on drug taxes. It is feared by the wholesalers that if the bill goes through as now drawn, retailers will stop handling many proprietary and patent preparations on which the profit is already limited.

There was great interest in the salesmen's contest over papers on "Economic Value of the Wholesale Druggist and Reasons Why He Is Essential." The judges, Messrs. Walter V. Smith, Frank H. Garrett and J. K. Lilly, had considerable of a task, a duty they conscientiously performed, many papers being entered in the contest for which the prizes amounted to \$500.00.

New Orleans was chosen for the next place of meeting and Arthur D. Parker, of the host-

city, was elected president. Other officers chosen were: *First Vice-President*, Joseph Plaut, New York; *Second Vice-President*, William J. Murray, Jr., Columbia, South Carolina; *Third Vice-President*, W. F. Cram, Des Moines; *Fourth Vice-President*, R. W. Blanding, Providence; *Fifth Vice-President*, Fred E. Yahr, Milwaukee. The Board of Control for next year consists of *Chairman*, George R. Merrill, St. Louis; L. D. Sale, Los Angeles; F. C. Groover, Jacksonville; H. D. Faxon, Kansas City; Lee M. Hutchins, Grand Rapids; R. R. Ellis, Memphis; W. T. Harper, Ottumwa, Iowa; G. Barrett Moxley, Indianapolis; S. D. Andrews, Minneapolis; B. A. Jackson, Providence; W. E. Greiner, Dallas.

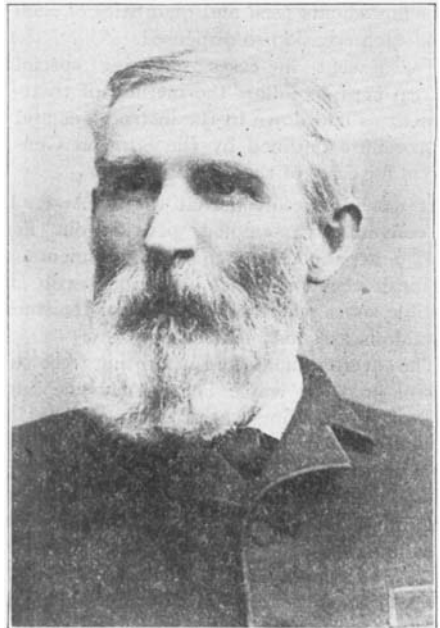
The Board of Control, at its organization meeting, reappointed F. E. Holliday as *Secretary* and C. H. Waterbury as *Assistant Secretary*.

Among the entertainment features were the President's Reception, a banquet, and a trip up the beautiful and busy Hudson. McKesson & Robbins issued *Drug Topics* as a souvenir booklet, containing the program, historical and local matter, and pictures of many members of the Association.

OBITUARY.

John Augustus Dunn, chemist for E. R. Squibb & Sons since 1866 and superintendent of the firm for about thirty years, died at his home, Brooklyn, N. Y., Friday, August 30. Mr. Dunn was a regular attendant at the annual meetings of the American Pharmaceutical Association until 1910. For the following data we are indebted to Mrs. Dunn.

Mr. Dunn was born in 1840 in St. Louis, Mo., and was from his early boyhood the constant companion of his dear friend, Dr. William F. Edgar, of Los Angeles, Cal. Dr. Edgar was U. S. Army Surgeon and before the Civil War was with the U. S. Government Scientific Survey. The deceased, then a boy, traveled with the expedition that was detailed to run the 35th parallel through New Mexico and to establish a U. S. Post at Albuquerque. These were the first white people who had ever penetrated that country. It was during this expedition that scientists first observed the land of the Cliff Dwellers and claimed that the peculiar formation was due to volcanic disturbance, while the men in the command looked on and argued "These things were made by human hands," which we all know was proven later. Wonderful and numerous were the tales



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this interesting old gentleman related of the primitive American Indian. As he always added "Still untainted by the inroads of Civilization." It was during this expedition that the Government imported camels to accompany the command across the American desert. The journey was hard and strange and the men impatient and often ugly. Mr. Dunn has often told how much he was impressed when early one Sunday morning they espied the green country beyond the Sierras and the great Pacific in the distance. Not one word was spoken, but every single man fell upon his knees and prayed his thanks to the One who had safely brought them out of that alkali waste. They went on to California and were stationed at the Presidio and for a time at San Diego.

When the Civil War broke out Mr. Dunn came to New York with the troops and was in the Government employ as an apothecary. In 1866 he entered the employ of E. R. Squibb & Sons, Manufacturing Chemists, as superintendent and as such held sway until in the latter nineties he became one of the firm. He was an expert and an authority in his line.

About ten years ago his eye sight failed, but he did not give up active work until 5 or 6 years ago. He was up and around as usual the day before he died of a stroke, Thursday, August 29, from the effects of which he passed away Friday morning. Deceased was a graduate of the New York College of Pharmacy. He joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1867, always attending the conventions until 1910. He participated in the discussions and imparted much information from his well stored mind. In 1910 he was elected Secretary of the Historical Section.

Mr. Dunn was buried in the Cemetery of Holy Cross, Flatbush, on Monday, September 2. He leaves a widow, Annie E. and a daughter, Mrs. J. O. Reither, of Lynbrook, Long Island.

FREDERICK MICHAEL SCHMIDT.

Fred. M. Schmidt was born in Chicago, Ill., June 6, 1859, the son of Dr. Ernst Schmidt. Wilhelm Bodemann writes that the latter introduced him to the doctors of the Southside when he opened his store at the corner of Harrison and State in the vicinity of where Doctor Schmidt, the father, then resided, and thus began his friendship with the deceased. Mr. Schmidt was president of the Chicago Veteran Druggists' Association and presided at the Round Table September 26, two days prior to

his death. Contemplating a trip East, he bade his friends farewell after the weekly luncheon. His health had not been good for several years, but during his term of office he was a regular attendant at the luncheons.

Mr. Schmidt attended the Chicago College of Pharmacy and was secretary of the institution for several years after he graduated. He spent the years of 1865, '66 and '84 in Germany in completing his education and travel. As clerk he was employed with John W. Ehrman, Victor Erich, Otto Peuser and E. H. Sargent. In 1881 he opened a drug store on



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the second floor of the building at the northwest corner of Madison Street and Fifth Ave., and was the first one to open a pharmacy above street floor. In 1886 he became associated with O. F. Fischer, purchasing the E. H. Sargent Prescription Pharmacy; the latter later purchased the Wabash avenue store and Mr. Schmidt the one at 78 State Street, which he moved first to the Schiller building and afterward to the Mallers building.

Mr. Schmidt was member (1894-1898) and president (1898) of the Illinois Board of Pharmacy and of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association (president 1899-1900).

In 1895 Mr. Schmidt married Miss Clara Louise Rehm, who, with a daughter and son, survive. The deceased joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1887.

C. V. D. A. MEMORIAL MEETING, OCTOBER 3, 1918.

After finishing routine business, October 3,

the Chicago Veteran Druggists' Association went into a memorial service for our President, F. M. Schmidt, who only a week previous presided as usual. His chair, tipped over, was draped in mourning and a red carnation pinned to the crepe—and this will so continue during October. Vice-President Frank Schrage assumed the Presidency, and at his request all members arose from their seats in silent prayer and reverence, and after short addresses were made by those who had known him best, *viz.*, G. P. Engelhard, O. G. Hottinger, E. von Hermann, W. K. Forsyth and W. Bode-mann.

It was pointed out that his failing health for the last few years had made him rather an infrequent attendant at our meetings, but since he was elected to the Vice-Presidency, and subsequently Presidency—he was very seldom absent; it seemed as if the C. V. D. A. spirit had given him a new lease of life.

At the funeral five schoolday friends and Secretary Wilhelm Bodemann acted as pallbearers, and as they carried the coffin to the hearse the members of the C. V. D. A. formed a line, and dropped their one carnation on the coffin as a last tribute of our love and friendship and respect for the departed President.

(Sgd.) W. BODEMANN,

Recording Secretary, C. V. D. A.

George Kleinau, member of the American Pharmaceutical Association since 1911 and one of the best known and most active members of the New York German Apothecaries' Society, died at his home in New York on August 20, at the age of fifty-one. Mr. Kleinau was taken ill with Bright's disease in the spring, and retired from business on the advice of his physician, selling his store on Park avenue. He joined the New York German Apothecaries' Society in 1896 and was a staunch and active member up to the time of his death. He was for many years chairman of the committee on trade interests and took an active part in molding legislation in connection with pharmacy.

Sergeant Joyce Kilmer, son of F. B. Kilmer, member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, gave his life to his country in the performance of his duty in France, July 31, 1918.

H. C. Cousins, father of ex-President W. H. Cousins, of the National Association of Retail Druggists, passed away at his home at Wei-

ner, Texas, at 6 o'clock, p.m., Tuesday, September 24th, aged sixty-six years. Mr. Cousins was a pioneer of Texas, having come to the state nearly fifty years ago. Mr. Cousins is survived by his wife and seven children: W. H. Cousins, of Dallas, Texas; Mrs. J. R. Mitchell, of Weinert, Texas; A. J. Cousins, of Haskell, Oklahoma; Mrs. Bessie Gregory, of Los Angeles, California; H. H. Cousins, of Shreveport, La.; Mrs. Ben Bridges, of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Mrs. J. Milam Diggs, of Munday, Texas. He was laid to rest in the little cemetery adjoining the ranch where he had spent many years.

JOHN CHARLES GALLAGHER

John C. Gallagher, one of the oldest druggists of Jersey City, N. J., died October 2; he had been in poor health for several years. Mr. Gallagher was deeply interested in Association work and was president of New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association, 1914-1915, and a



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member of the Legislative Committee for a number of years. He was elected a life member of the State Association in 1899, and joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1893.

We hope to make further mention of the deceased in the next issue of the JOURNAL.