

THE PHARMACIST AND THE LAW.

MODIFICATION IN EXPLOSIVES ACT.

In conjunction with A. Homer Smith, of the Medical Section of the Council of National Defense, Chas. J. Lynn, President of the American Drug Manufacturers' Association, held several interviews with the Bureau of Mines and secured a comprehensive interpretation of the law as it applies to the drug trade. This matter was formally incorporated in a letter from the Medical Section to the A. D. M. A. that was first submitted to the Bureau of Mines for approval. It can, therefore, be regarded as an accurate reflection of the Bureau's interpretation.

"1. The following gives information pertaining to the Explosive License Requirement Act concerning the application of the Act as related to medicinal substances.

MANUFACTURERS.

"a. Require manufacturers' license. (Ed. Note—only obtainable from Bureau of Mines.)

"b. Do not require Foreman's license for Department heads.

"c. Must have on file certified actual copies or certified photographic copies of customers' license before deliveries can be made. The mere information of customers' license number will not be sufficient to justify shipment or delivery of items coming under the operation of the Act. Likewise, manufacturers must file with their suppliers a certified copy of their own license in order to obtain their crude materials.

"d. The Bureau of Mines will accept the ordinary trade records of transactions covering medicinals in lieu of the specific records required of manufacturers, vendors, and purchasers of explosives as such. *They do require*, however, that the number of the buyer's license must be placed on his order covering the ingredients purchased and filed by the seller in the usual way and also must appear on the invoice sent the buyer covering his purchase.

"e. Medicinal compounds containing any of the ingredients named where the compound as such is non-explosive are not affected. Medicinal products containing explosive ingredients in simple form such as: chlorate of potash tablets, permanganate of potash tablets, when sold in quantities of one ounce or more, come under the operation of the Act and require license all the way down to the ultimate purchaser from the retailer."

WHOLESALEERS.

"Require Vendors' license unless they also manufacture, in which event a manufacturer's License is necessary which will cover their transactions.

"Paragraphs *b, c, d* and *e*, under 'Manufacturers,' apply to wholesalers."

RETAILERS.

"a. Require vendors' license.

"b. One license for the store covers proprietor and clerks.

"c. Cannot sell in quantities of one ounce or more on prescription or otherwise except to customer having purchasers' license. Such purchasers' license need not be filed with retailer, but must be shown in every instance before delivery is made.

"d. No special record required for sales of quantities of less than one ounce, but, unless on prescription which filed becomes an acceptable record, sales of quantities of one ounce or more must be recorded as to purchaser's license number, name, address, date of sale, item and quantity sold.

"e. Must file with sources of supply certified copy of his vendors' license before his supplier can make deliveries."

PHYSICIANS.

"a. If a dispenser, must have a vendor's license to purchase and dispense in quantities of one ounce or more.

"b. Cannot dispense in quantities of one ounce or more to patient who does not hold a purchaser's license.

"c. If a prescriber, only, will require a purchaser's license to obtain supplies in quantities of one ounce or more for his own use.

"d. No special records required."

CONSUMERS.

"Require a purchaser's license to buy in quantities of one ounce or more.

EXEMPTIONS (MEDICINAL).

"Nitroglycerine in official U. S. P. solution or in form of pills, granules or tablets containing not more than $\frac{1}{60}$ th grain each.

"PLEASE NOTE: The foregoing apply only to medicinals and not to explosives sold for other purposes. If a salesman personally sees customer's license and places the license number on the customer's order when sending it to his house, then his house can assume the responsibility of making delivery without having a certified copy of the customer's license on file. To expedite deliveries on mail, telephone and telegraph orders received direct

from the customers, however, it will be found advisable to have certified copies of customers' licenses on file."

(Signed)

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