malted beef peptone, or Horlick's malted milk, are not taxable. So, too, articles and preparations commonly known as stock foods, avenarious carbolineum, mixed feeds, chicken feeds, etc., not recommended or held out as remedies or specifics for affections or diseases, but as feed only, and other food preparations, whether for man or beast, unless held out or recommended as remedies or specifics for diseases of the human or animal body, are not taxable.

(c) Poisons and exterminators of rodents and insects, insecticides, disinfectants (other than those manufactured and sold for use in the treatment of wounds or as cleansers of any portion of the human or animal body), are not medicines or medicinal preparations, compounds, or compositions within the meaning of this section, and are not taxable.

(d) Vaccines and bacterines which are not advertised to the general lay public, and all serums and antitoxins, are specifically exempted from taxation.

(e) Natural mineral waters and table waters, and artificial mineral waters (whether carbonated or not), and other carbonated waters, are not taxable under section 907 if intended' for use solely as beverages.

BOOK NOTICES AND REVIEWS.

Sex and Sex Worship. (Phallic Worship.) A scientific treatise on sex, its nature and function, and its influence on art, science, architecture, literature and religion—with special reference to sex worship and symbolism. By O. A. Wall, M.D., Ph.G., Ph.M. 625 pages, $6^3/_4 \times 9^3/_4$, with 375 beautiful illustrations, including halftones and line drawings, from one of the largest collections in the world on the subject. Beautifully printed on special sepia paper and bound in blue silk cloth with gold stamping on front cover and backbone. Price, postpaid, \$7.50.

Professor Wall has written the first book that treats of phallic worship in connection with the evolution of the human body and mind. He has been an ardent student of the subject for more than a third of a century and only recently consented to the publication of his material. The book is authoritative. It explains the nature of sex and the ideas associated with it from primitive times to the present day; its influence on achievements of the human race in developing its religions, arts, architecture, literature, science and social relationships. The whole study is profusely illustrated with examples of ancient, medieval and modern art and ornamentation, Pagan as well as Christian.

Some of the subjects covered: Sex; Modern Religions; Other Beliefs; How Old is Mankind? Nature of Sex; Nature of Reproduction; Status of Woman; Cosmogonies; Gemetria; Bible of the Greeks; In Animals and Mankind; Light on a Dark Subject; Social Relations of Men and Women; Gratification of the Senses; Art and Ethics; Sculpture; Art Anatomy; Credulity; Lycanthropy; Origin of Religious Ideas; Primitive Beliefs; Sexual Relationships of the Gods; Gods Lived Like Men; Monogamy, Polygamy; Phallie Worship; Plant Worship; Animal Worship; Some Gods; Eternal Feminine; Virgin Worship; About Goddesses; Mere Mortal Women; Sexual Union among Deities; Serpent Worship; Worship of Heavenly Bodies; Phallic Festivals; Water; Is There an Immortal Soul?

Sex and Sex Worship has more or less interest for every student; however, few havegiven sufficient study thereto to attempt a critical review, hence this writing must be in the form of a notice. The name of the author and his extensive library on related subjects speak for the thoroughness with which the text has been prepared, and the publishers, C. V. Mosby Company, of St. Louis, have produced a work of art. The book is beautifully printed on tinted paper and handsomely bound in blue silk cloth with gold stamping on front cover and backbone.

Manual of Laboratory Practice for Students of Pharmacy. By George B. Kauffman, B.Sc., Phr.D., James H. Beal, D.Sc., Phr.D., and Julius A. Koch, Ph.D., Phr.D. Third edition, 92 pages, interleaved. Published by The Midland Publishing Company, Columbus, Ohio. Price, \$1.50 plus postage.

This is the third edition of the Manual; the arrangement follows preceding editions. There are five parts and these are concerned with Physical Operations; Galenical Preparations; Preparation and Purification of Chemicals; Prescription Practice; Volumetric Analysis; Gravimetric Analysis and Pharmaceutical Assaying.

The purpose of the Manual is to serve as a guide for students in the laboratory work con-

cerned with the preparations, manipulations and processes dealt with. Types of these have been selected so that the experience gained with them enables the students to make further application. On the whole the selections have been carefully made; however, under Prescription Practice we fail to find prescriptions for liquids in capsules and ampuls. Also, in the revision, the preparation of Dakin's solution of Dichloramin T., etc. and paraffin films should have been added. Some of the galenicals might have been omitted, and others that are extensively used, like Solution of Magnesium Citrate, included.

While the Manual is primarily intended for students in colleges of pharmacy, it is adapted for home study.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Proceedings of the Eighteenth Annual Session of the State Library and Historical Society of North Carolina, 1917. E. Vernon Howell, well-known member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, contributes to these pages (pp. 72–103) "Medical and Pharmaceutical Conditions in the Confederacy." The article, which is replete with statistics, was prepared from material in his extensive library. Aside from reports of the Medical Department relating to the Surgeon General's office, the hospitals, etc., an interesting table is given enumerating the indigenous drugs used, purpose and dose, that replaced unobtainable medicines. There is also a schedule of prices obtaining during these trying times

Proceedings of the Nineteenth Annual Meeting of the American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties, Chicago, August 12–13, 1918. Secretary Theodore J. Bradley has done good work in the preparation of this report. Halftone engravings of Professors Joseph P. Remington, Charles E. Caspari, Jr., and Alfred Birch Huested are included.

The Supplement to the United States Medical Bulletin. Published for the information of the Hospital Corps of the Navy.—Issued by The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department, Division of Publications, Captain J. S. Taylor, Medical Corps, United States Navy, in charge. Edited by Lieutenant Commander G. F. Cottle, Medical Corps United States Navy, April, 1919.

Copies of the Supplement may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., by inclosing 5 cents in cash.

This number of the Supplement contains papers 9 and 11 of the Correspondence Course for naval pharmacists. The first relates to the furnishing of a dispensary and the latter to the selection and purchase of X-ray equipment.

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