

CINCINNATI COLLEGES OF PHARMACY MERGED.

Cincinnati's two colleges of pharmacy were merged at a meeting by the faculty of the Queen City College of Pharmacy. Through this amalgamation the Queen City College, of which Prof. Caswell A. Mayo is the dean, will be joined with the Cincinnati College of Pharmacy over which Dr. Walter Griess presides. Arrangements have been made for the operation of the colleges at the building occupied by Cincinnati College for at least one year, after which it is expected that Cincinnati druggists will cooperate to find a more suitable home. C. T. P. Fennel of the Cincinnati College was unanimously recommended as dean of the combined faculties and will be appointed the manager.

CHANGES IN THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN COLLEGE OF PHARMACY.

Charles H. Stocking has been appointed Assistant Professor of Pharmacy to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Prof. A. F. Schlichting who has taken up his new duties as chief of the control laboratories of the William R. Warner Company of St. Louis. William J. McGill, holder of the Frederick Stearns' Research Fellowship, has been made Instructor in Pharmacy. Prof. E. H. Kraus is Acting Dean of the College of Pharmacy.

BUFFALO UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF PHARMACY HAS NEW DRUG GARDEN.

The catalog of Buffalo College of Pharmacy shows the new drug garden, which is under the direction of Prof. A. B. Lemon; also a perspective view of the University of Buffalo and of the interesting event of breaking ground for the new chemical laboratory.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION FOR DRUGGIST.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces an open competitive examination for druggist on October 20, 1920. Vacancies in the Public Health Service throughout the United States at \$60 to \$100 a month and maintenance (room, subsistence, and laundry); vacancies in the Internal Revenue Service, at \$1,800 to \$2,000 a year; and vacancies in positions requiring similar qualifications, at these or higher or lower salaries, will be filled from this examination, unless it is found in the interest of the service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement, transfer, or promotion.

Subjects and Weights.—Competitors will be examined in the following subjects, which will have the relative weights indicated:

<i>Subjects.</i>	<i>Weights.</i>
1. Spelling (twenty words of more than average difficulty).....	5
2. Arithmetic (fundamental rules, common and decimal fractions, percentage, and their business application) ..	10
3. Penmanship (the legibility, rapidity, neatness, and general appearance of the competitor's handwriting in the subject of letter writing).....	10
4. Letter writing (a letter of not less than 150 words on some subject of general interest).....	5
5. Copying and correcting manuscript (test in making a smooth, corrected copy of a draft of manuscript which includes erasures, misspelled words, errors in syntax, etc.).....	5
6. Chemistry, pharmacy, and materia medica.....	55
7. Training and experience.....	10
Total.....	100

Education.—Applicants must have been graduated from a recognized college of pharmacy. Statements as to training and experience are accepted subject to verification.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE POTASH MINES IN ALSACE.

The development of the potash mines in Alsace since the French took them over is already such that, according to a German authority, more than a million metric tons of crude salts will be produced this year, and the prospects are that the output will be largely increased. The reason for this increase is stated to be that while under German control a scheme of regulating the output was maintained in order to hold up prices. A recent report to the U. S. Geological Survey estimates the deposits of Alsatian potash salts as well above a billion metric tons, underlying an area of more than seventy square miles.