

More might be said of ethyl alcohol, "next to water the most valuable of all chemicals."

There will never be a time when no one will be tempted by appetite or be enticed into excesses by imagination or alluring realities, but the public can be educated relative to facts and make use of them with reason and justice. This question—"What are the Facts?"—meets the eyes of everyone entering the manager's office of a large drug manufacturing plant. Prompted by honest motives and based on a like interrogatory, rational investigation should be made of proposed legislation. The same applies to publicity. The printed card referred to checks unprepared reporters; answers to the question will suppress much needless legislation and make publicity of greater value.

Ida M. Tarbell has said, "It used to be that we thought before we spoke, but in later days it has seemed somewhat as if we spoke and never thought at all."

What are the facts?

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To all users of the National Formulary.

Greeting:

The Revision Committee for the fourth revision of the National Formulary has been appointed and desires to obtain your assistance in the revision.

We ask coöperation of every chemist, pharmacist, biologist, physician, college of pharmacy, pharmaceutical journal, or others who use the book or its preparations, to make the next edition better and more useful.

We want your criticisms and suggestions.

What formulas or preparations in the present N. F. have you found unsatisfactory? In what respects are they unsatisfactory? Have you any improvements to suggest for them?

What preparations do you think should be discontinued, and why? What should be added?

In what respects do you find the N. F. faulty or deficient? Have you any suggestions to make for improvements?

The Committee will appreciate criticisms from all sources, suggestions of all kinds, the help of the colleges and editors in arousing interest, and we will assure you of an attentive interest in every communication.

Please send criticisms or comments to the chairman,

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