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The U. S. Pharmacopoeia recognizes only a few of the host of new remedies that constitute so important a part of the modern physician's medical armamentarium. Even of the most desirable, if guarded commercially by patent, it has included only those the exclusive rights of which were expected to expire before the next convention, *viz.*, in 1910. Proprietary names it could not recognize at all.

While the American Pharmaceutical Association has for a number of years provided a galenical supplement to the U. S. P. in the National Formulary, now recognized with the U. S. P. as a national standard, the American Medical Association has provided a like supplement for so-called synthetic new remedies. These are of interest not only to the pharmacist but to the chemist as well.

The Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the A. M. A. which is doing this good work has not rushed into print, but has published its findings in a preliminary way in *The Journal of the A. M. A.* Even now that the results of several years' labor have been issued in book form "criticisms and corrections to aid in the annual revision of the matter are requested."

Every chemist whose work touches upon these substances should give his support to the work of the Council even though he may not always be able to agree with their dictum. A proper spirit and the manifestation of good will on all sides will, no doubt, accomplish much in dealing with this important problem of pharmaceutical chemistry.

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