

homa will be one of the major objectives of his regime. Mr. Prather says that it is his purpose to carry on the fine work that Jess Stunkle has begun during the two years of his administration.

mev and Sen. John J. Dunnigan, majority leader at Albany. Judge Harold Crawford, House sponsor, also attended.

Samuel S. Dworkin, New York, is compiling statistics concerning the lives of outstanding Jewish pharmacists and former pharmacists, now in other fields.

## PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

**Dr. Marston Taylor Bogert** has been awarded the Priestley gold medal of the American Chemical Society. He has been a member of Columbia University faculty. In collaboration with students is the author of four hundred papers in the field of synthetic organic chemistry. He has received many medals and is a medalist of the Charles University in Prague. The gold medal will be formally awarded in Milwaukee at the American Chemical Society meeting.

**Dr. Solomon D. Gershon** received from the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy his degree of Pharmaceutical Chemist in June 1930, graduating with honors and receiving the Leo Mrazek Prize in Chemistry and also the P. A. Mandabach Memorial Life Membership award for high scholarship in Materia Medica. He also entered the competition for the Fairchild Scholarship award and passed this examination with a standing of 94 per cent and received the Scholarship in August 1930.

In September 1930 he came to the College as Assistant in Chemistry. He has held this position continuously since that time assisting in Organic, Synthetic, Quantitative and Qualitative Chemistry. In 1931 he passed the State Board of Pharmacy examination for Registered Pharmacist.

A testimonial dinner in honor of **Ivor Griffith** will be held on June 7th. Dean Griffith has succeeded former Dean LaWall.

Over 900 people packed the ballroom of the Pennsylvania Hotel, New York City, to pay tribute to Senator Jeremiah F. Twomey, Brooklyn pharmacist and chairman of the powerful Finance Committee of the New York State Senate, at the testimonial dinner given him by the New York Pharmaceutical Council. Seated at the speakers' table with the guest of honor were, left to right, Sen. A. Spencer Feld, co-author of New York's Fair Trade Law, Mrs. Feld, Senator Twomey, Mrs. Two-

Any coöperation that your readers can extend will be greatly appreciated and will undoubtedly prove of value in the effort being made to establish a fact, the contribution of the Jewish Pharmacists, both past and present, to Pharmacy in general and as a citizen for the betterment of mankind.

If you have any information of any Jewish pharmacists, past or present, who are or were engaged in any other field such as medicine, dentistry, law, art, music, teaching, writing, banking, motion picture industry, politics, social service, philanthropy, etc., would you please communicate with me, joining with me as a collaborator in this work.—SAMUEL S. DWORKIN, 358 E. 204th St., Bronx, N. Y.

## MEDICAL COST STUDY.

The Senate Committee on Education and Labor has favorably reported to the Senate the resolution introduced by Senator Robert F. Wagner, of New York, calling for appointment of a special committee of Senators "to make a general study, investigation and analysis of the adequacy and cost of medical care in relation to income and ability to pay, and of ways and means to maintain, and improve the health of the people of the United States."

The resolution would set up a committee of three Senators to make the study and would appropriate not to exceed \$50,000 to cover the cost of making such a survey.

After being reported by the Education and Labor Committee the resolution was referred to the Committee for Audit and Control.

The proposed study is regarded as of interest to the whole drug trade because of the possibilities it carries for recommendations for socialization of medicine or for some system which will result in a wider distribution of medicines than is afforded at present.—*Drug Topics*.

## MARIHUANA ACT.

The operations of the marihuana tax act thus far in the legitimate field have been at-

tended. A number of adjustments had to be made, but these were consummated with little inconvenience to the industry and to the government. Pharmacists and associations coöperated to the fullest extent with the treasury and narcotic officials.

#### PATENTS, TRADE-MARKS.

In largest part the report of the committee on patents and trade-marks, presented by Walton M. Wheeler, consisted of a comprehensive series of abstracts of material published in various records having to do with such protective measures and comprised virtually all Federal court decisions relating to patents, trade-marks and copyrights affecting the drug industry. One of the patent bills (H. R. 9259) is said to be part of the administration's attack on monopoly.

#### FORDHAM UNIVERSITY PUBLIC HEALTH COURSE.

Fordham University proposes a new course in public health for pharmacy students. New York: April 29, 1938. A gradual change in pharmaceutical curriculum throughout the United States, paving the way for the "Pharmacy of the Future," and aimed at the elimination of the present-day pharmacy with its heterogeneous collection of unrelated articles, was predicted last night by Dr. Leonard J. Piccoli of the Fordham University College of Pharmacy who announced plans for a new course in public health for pharmacy students at the "Better Health" meeting in the Bronx County Court House.

The new course is being prepared by a committee of outstanding public health authorities, headed by Dr. Piccoli, chairman, at the request of Pharmaceutical Syllabus Committee, representing the American Association of the Colleges of Pharmacy, the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy and the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.—From: Hamilton M. Wright, *Newspaper Syndicate Features*.

#### FAIR TRADE ORGANIZATION MEETING.

E. L. Newcomb, in an address, stated that wholesale druggists favored fair trade laws and believe that some organization representative of all lines of business should be created to sustain these laws and bring the public at

large and all business to understand the results obtained when properly operating under them, extending eight substantial reasons. As they constitute one of the most effective trust barriers supplementing existing anti-monopoly laws and this is essential in order to afford more adequate and full protection to the end that fair prices may prevail for the consumer and the public at large than have heretofore ever been the case.

#### THE NARCOTIC INVENTORY.

It is necessary to file the Narcotic Inventory with application for registration before an inventory will be mailed. There will be no penalty if filed this month.

#### DRUG ACT ENFORCEMENT APPROPRIATION RAISED.

The Senate has passed the Department of Agriculture appropriation bill after increasing the appropriation for enforcement of the Food and Drugs Act by \$150,000 and making a number of other changes in the bill as passed by the house.

The Senate struck out the house provision appropriating \$1,000,000 for beginning work on four regional chemurgic research laboratories and instead allocated \$100,000 to cover a survey to determine the location of these laboratories and the scope of the investigations to be made, and to coördinate their work with the research work already being done by the department.

Another amendment permits the naval stores conservation program to be conducted through the services of regional associations of producers instead of through county committees as in the case of other crops.

Other increases in appropriations made by the senate include the following—\$9500 for study of investigations by the Bureau of Plant Industry; \$30,000 for tung oil investigations and \$7500 for the industrial utilization of farm products by the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils; \$353,900 for various insect-control programs of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine; \$16,200 for cotton ginning investigations by the Bureau of Agricultural Engineering; \$10,000 for cottonseed inspection, and \$5000 for cottonseed market reports by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.—*Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter*.