Meeting of Members, October 20, 1965

Committee Reports

Chemical-Toxicological

Dr. Emil A. Pfitzer next gave the report of the Chemical-Toxicological Committee in the absence of its Chairman, Dr. Joseph F. Treon. He reported that the Chemical-Toxicological Committee met last spring in Williamsburg, Virginia at the Society of Toxicology Meeting to discuss the Industrial Hygiene Foundation's Annual Meeting Program and to outline Committee activities.

The Committee has published two Bulletins this year in the Chemical-Toxicological series. The first was entitled: "Threshold Limit Values (Recommended Revisions and Additions)". Threshold Limit Values are set annually by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists. For the past two years, a statement of intent of revisions and additions to the Threshold Limit Value list has been distributed several months prior to decision on their recommendation. The Chemical-Toxicological Committee has attempted to communicate this statement of intent, so that Industrial Hygiene Foundation members may contribute their viewpoints to the Threshold Limit Values Committee prior to their final decisions. The second Bulletin was entitled: "Emergency Exposure Limits and Hygienic Guides—Sources of Information". The Toxicology Committee of the American Industrial Hygiene Association has presented the first three of a new series of guides called Emergency Exposure Limits and the Hygienic Guides have been published at intervals by the American Industrial Hygiene Association Hygienic Guides Committee. This Bulletin has updated these sources of information and provides a handy reference to publication dates for individual chemicals. The Bulletin also provides the format to be used for information which Industrial Hygiene Foundation members may wish to submit to the Hygienic Guides Committee.

The Chemical-Toxicological Committee has tentatively scheduled a Discussional for sometime early in 1966. The purpose will be to provide a forum for the early discussion of the statement of intent of revisions in the Threshold Limit Value list during 1966. The Foundation's membership representatives who participate will receive early notification of impending changes in standards which may markedly affect their operations and publications.

The Chemical-Toxicological Committee has encouraged and will assist with the publication of toxicologic data on over 50 chemicals which have been collected in the Foundation's Research Laboratory. Staff members of Industrial Hygiene Foundation will author such a report following approval of individual IHF members for release of data for publication.

Officers of the Chemical-Toxicological Committee include: Dr. Joseph F. Treon, Atlas Chemical Industries, Chairman; Dr. John A. Zapp, Jr., E. I. duPont deNemours & Co., Co-Chairman; and Dr. Emil A. Pfitzer, University of Cincinnati, Kettering Laboratory, Secretary. Other members of the Committ are: