

facture of S. M. A.—an artificial food adapted to mother's milk and developed by Dr. H. J. Gerstenberger, medical director of The Babies' Dispensary and Hospital and professor of Pediatrics of Western Reserve University Medical School, who has transferred all of his rights to The Babies' Dispensary and Hospital.

S. M. A. is said to represent an improvement over the older attempts at making an artificial food for infants more like human milk in that it contains a fat that in its saponification, iodine, and Reichert-Meissl numbers is like the fat of woman's milk, and in that it further possesses decided anti-spasmophilic and anti-rachitic powers. The latter are at least partly due to the use of codliver oil in the making of the S. M. A. fat.

S. M. A. was fed to dispensary and hospital infants under careful supervision from 1915 to 1920. During January, 1920, it was made available to the medical profession of Cleveland with excellent results, as can be realized from the increase in sales per month, being 1,000 quarts at the beginning and 20,000 quarts during December, 1921. During November, 1920, S. M. A. was put up in powder form, and a year later was made available to the medical profession throughout the country.

As a result of this contract the Babies' Dispensary will receive a minimum of \$10,000 per year. To meet the request of Dr. H. J. Gerstenberger, the contract contains a clause limiting the use of the funds to research purposes.

Inasmuch as The Babies Dispensary and Hospital will be the future department of pediatrics of Western Reserve University Medical School, it is hoped that this accomplishment will aid in the prompt development of the pediatric unit of the new medical group of Western Reserve University.

PROFESSOR J. W. TOUMEY AND THE YALE SCHOOL OF FORESTRY

APPRECIATION of the part played by Dean J. W. Toumey, of the Yale School of Forestry, in securing Mr. Henry S. Graves as his successor, and satisfaction in the former's decision to continue in the service of the university as

Morris K. Jesup professor of silviculture, is expressed in a vote passed by the Yale Corporation. It was due to Professor Toumey's initiative and wish that efforts were made to induce Mr. Graves to return to the university as head of the School of Forestry. The vote of the corporation follows:

Voted, in accepting, at the request of Professor James W. Toumey, his resignation as dean of the School of Forestry, to record the satisfaction of the president and fellows that he is to remain in Yale's service as Morris K. Jesup professor of silviculture, and to spread upon the minutes of the corporation an expression of its gratitude to him for his successful administration as acting director and then as dean. During this, and due to his untiring interest and enthusiasm, this youngest of Yale's schools has gained largely in endowment, extended its educational scope, and added both to its equipment in New Haven and to its facilities for instruction in the field through the acquisition of the school forests in Connecticut and in New Hampshire. The corporation recognizes with pride and gratitude that no other school of Yale University has enjoyed a more remarkable and better planned development than has the School of Forestry under Dean Toumey's administration, the close of which is fittingly marked by the successful consummation of two projects nearest his heart. One of these is the acquisition by the School of Forestry of a building adequate for its needs; the other is the return to Yale University as head of the school of Henry S. Graves, B.A. 1892. The fact that the movement to bring the latter back as dean originated with Professor Toumey is but one example from many which might be cited of his desire to see the school take advantage of every opportunity before it and of his constant, loyal and unselfish devotion to its welfare.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE annual meeting of the National Academy of Sciences will be held at the United States National Museum, Washington, on April 24, 25 and 26.

DR. GEORGE E. HALE has resigned as president of the Pacific Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to attend the meeting of the International Research Council in Brussels. Dr. Barton Warren