

The February *Tile and Till* contains the "Spring Ode" included in the address by Merle Thorpe, editor of the *Nation's Business*, before the Section on Commercial Interests, A. Ph. A., in Washington. Kipling's "Our Fathers of Old," is printed in the *American Journal of Pharmacy* for March, as part of the address of Ex-President Charles H. LaWall, A. Ph. A.

Prize winners in the National Wholesale Druggists' Association's contest among writers of papers on the jobber, and the prizes they

received, were Harry Jerome, \$100; Vernon Driskell, \$50; and Jacques Fontaine, \$25. Honorable mention was made of the papers by Francis J. Smith, Zeb W. Rike, Frank Farrington, Erford L. Bedient, Horace M. Miller, Harold Rising, Leon Allen, John N. Stansfield, Charles Genolin, W. F. Rightor, R. Bartleson, Abe Caruthers, Eliot Church, F. Garrison, Mrs. Ola Genolin, Asher M. Hawk, S. B. Higgins, A. S. Knapp, H. O. Luck, G. A. Sielly and A. D. Watson.

OBITUARY.

WILFRED F. ROOT.

Wilfred F. Root senior member of the drug firm of Wilfred F. Root & Son, Brattleboro, Vt., died February 28, after an operation for cirrhosis of the liver. Mr. Root, who was fifty years of age, and a native of Brattleboro, had been in the drug business there thirty-two years, first as clerk in the George E. Greene store and afterwards as sole owner of the business to which his son, Ralph C. Root, was admitted a few months ago.

The deceased was president of the Vermont Pharmaceutical Association in 1902-3, of which he had been secretary in 1898-1900, and had also been a member and president of the Vermont Board of Pharmacy. He was the first president of the New England Association of Boards of Pharmacy organized at Boston in 1907. Mr. Root joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1912.

Mr. Root is survived by his wife, who was Miss Nellie Bond, and by his son.—*The Druggists' Circular*.

ERNEST J. LEDERLE.

Ernest J. Lederle, Health Commissioner of New York City from 1902 to 1904 and from 1910 to 1914, and widely renowned as a chemist and bacteriologist, died March 7 in a sanitarium near Goshen, N. Y. He was 53 years old and was born on Staten Island. He was a graduate of the Columbia University School of Mines.

JACOB HASSLACHER.

Jacob Hasslacher, well known in chemical circles, died at his home, 322 West 100th Street, in the city of New York, on the morning of March 15, in the sixty-ninth year of his age.

Mr. Hasslacher came to New York in 1884, and with Franz Roessler, established the firm of Roessler & Hasslacher, manufacturing and importing chemists, and in 1889 the co-partnership was incorporated under the name of the Roessler & Hasslacher Chemical Co.

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON THE PHARMACEUTICAL SYLLABUS.

BULLETIN XXVII.

To the Members of the National Committee on the Pharmaceutical Syllabus:

I hand you herewith the financial statement of the Committee for the period August 8, 1919, to April 21, 1920.

1919		RECEIPTS.	
Aug. 8	Cash on hand.....	\$124.53	
Oct. 13	National Assoc. Boards of Pharmacy.....	25.00	
13	American Conference of Pharm. Faculties.....	25.00	
15	American Pharmaceutical Association.....	25.00	

Sale of 3 copies of the Syllabus.....	3.82
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	\$203.35

1919		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Oct. 13	T. J. Bradley, for postage stamps and clerical assistance.....	\$ 15.00	
1920			
Feb. 28	T. J. Bradley, for clerical assistance.....	10.00	
Apr. 21	Cash on hand.....	178.35	
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			\$203.35

I now have on hand about one hundred copies of the Syllabus.

(Signed) CLYDE M. SNOW,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Chicago, April 21, 1921.

BULLETIN XXVIII.

The difficult times in which we have been doing the work have caused long and discouraging delays in the preparation of the third edition of the Syllabus, but very nearly all of the material is now at hand and the first proof sheets of the introduction and the section on materia medica are being mailed to the Committee to-day. All members are requested to read these carefully, making corrections and criticisms, and return them to the Chairman without delay. Other proofs will follow in a short time. Afterwards revised proofs will be mailed for final correction before the book goes to press.

Like many other plans and arrangements in these times, the agreement with the printer will have to be revised and it will be necessary to charge a somewhat higher price for the book than was agreed on last year. It appears now that a price of \$2.00 net, or \$1.50 for copies ordered and paid for in advance of publication, will be sufficient to pay the cost of producing the book. Unless there is objection, the Secretary will proceed to solicit orders at these prices.

(Signed) THEODORE J. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

Boston, March 25, 1921.

SECTIONS OF THE AMERICAN
PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

The date for the next convention of the American Pharmaceutical Association is not so far ahead. It is nearly twelve months since the Washington meeting, and on September 5 the sessions will open in New Orleans. Probably some of the Section officers have their programs well under way; for some there is still much work to do. Not infrequently a follow-up letter is required to bring a response for papers. The programs will appear in the August issue of the JOURNAL, and copy should be in by the 25th of July, or earlier.

SPRING MEETING OF AMERICAN
CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

The annual Spring meeting of the American Chemical Society will be held with the Rochester Section, Tuesday, April 26, to Friday, April 29, inclusive, at Rochester, N. Y. Preparations are being made by the officers of the society to accommodate thousands of members and their guests and the present outlook is for one of the most successful meetings.

Programs have been announced for the various sections. It is said that the division of chemistry of medicinal products, formerly the division of pharmaceutical chemistry, has given a new impetus by the change in name. The present name is more descriptive of the field covered by the activities of this division. Some interesting papers have been assured for their particular part of the program.

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCES OF THE
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
BOARDS OF PHARMACY.

The plan suggested by Past President John Cully of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy, to hold district conferences of State Boards of Pharmacy, is proving successful. It is bringing about greater uniformity in examinations, and acquainting the various sections with the difficulties they have to contend with, and presents opportunities of exchanging experiences. Just now a topic seems to be of interest relating to prerequisite legislation, how to secure it for the states without such provisions. Recently representatives of the Boards of North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia convened in Asheville for a two days' session. The following delegates attended: C. P. Greyer, Morganton, N. C.; Kelly E. Bennet, Bryson City, N. C.; I. A. Rigby, Spartansburg, S. C.; Frank M. Smith, Charleston, S. C.; Harry Whitehouse, Johnson City, Tenn.; Ira B. Clark, Nashville, Tenn.; O. O. Older, Charleston, W. Va.; B. E. Downs, Welch, W. Va.; W. L. Lyle, Bedford, Va.; and A. L. I. Winne, Richmond, Va. Representing the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy: President Charles Gietner, St. Louis, Mo., and Secretary H. C. Christensen, Chicago, Ill. A. L. I. Winne, as vice-president of the national organization for this district, acted as chairman.

PHI DELTA CHI NATIONAL CONVEN-
TION HELD IN INDIANAPOLIS.

The Phi Delta Chi Fraternity (pharmaceutical-chemical) convened in twenty-first Grand Council meeting in Indianapolis, March 3-5. About seventy delegates and visitors attended. Applications for charters were received from Alabama Polytechnic Institute and Highland Park College of Pharmacy. A number of entertainments were provided, and at a beautiful country home near Indianapolis an old-fashioned chicken dinner was served; on this

occasion Mr. Eli Lilly acted as toastmaster. The retiring president is Prof. Azor Thurston, who was presented with a beautiful gold watch, bearing the fraternity monogram. The other officers are Emory W. Thurston, Indianapolis, *President*; Adley B. Nichols, Philadelphia, *Vice-President*; L. C. Heustis, Indianapolis, *Secretary*; C. V. Nichols, Anadarko, Okla., *Treasurer*, and R. P. Marsh, New York City, *Editor*.

NEW YORK STATE PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING.

At a meeting held March 3rd at the New York Drug and Chemical Club, the committee of time and place for next convention, consisting of F. H. Rodgers, *Chairman*, Jacob Rehfuß, Charles F. Fischer, Fred. J. Budelman and Robert S. Lehman, tentatively decided that it should be held at the Churchill Hall, Stamford in the Catskills, N. Y. The time set is the week beginning June 20th.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN COLLEGE OF PHARMACY.

During March the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy entertained the following visitors, who delivered addresses before the students and faculty: March 3, Dean C. A. Dye spoke on "Some Problems and Ideals in Pharmacy;" March 9, Dean C. B. Jordan was the speaker, who chose for his topic, "The Need of Better Trained Pharmacists." March 17, H. S. Noel addressed the Prescott Club on "Getting the Most out of Business," and on March 24, W. H. Blome discussed the alcohol problem and its relation to the pharmacist, physician, and the public.

MILWAUKEE HAS A VETERAN DRUGGISTS' ORGANIZATION.

Milwaukee druggists have organized a veteran druggists' association patterned after the

Chicago V. D. A., founded by Thos. N. Jamieson. The object is to promote congeniality and good-fellowship, particularly among the older druggists. The association will meet the third Thursday of each month at 1 P.M. luncheon, at which the discussion of business problems will be prohibited. Any member whose birthday anniversary occurs during the month will be decorated with a carnation at the luncheon held that month. The dues are one dollar and the first twenty-five members comprise the charter membership. The number of associate members will be unlimited. The president and vice-president will be elected annually and cannot succeed themselves. A secretary-treasurer will also be elected annually and a sergeant-at-arms will be appointed for a one-year term. The officers for the ensuing year are: Wm. F. Kaiser, *President*; Geo. L. Baldauf, *Vice-president*; E. G. Raeuber, *Secretary-treasurer*, and H. F. Wussow, *Sergeant-at-Arms*.

Madison, Wis., under Dr. Edward Kremers, and Minnesota, under Dean F. J. Wulling, have also organized similar associations.

OFFICERS OF NEW YORK COLLEGE OF PHARMACY.

Following the election of officers of the College of Pharmacy of the City of New York, Prof. H. V. Army presented a paper on "Pharmacy One Hundred Years Ago."

The following are the officers of the College for the ensuing year: *President*, Nicholas Murray Butler; *Vice-Presidents*, Charles F. Chandler, William Jay Schieffelin and Henry C. Lovis; *Secretary*, Charles W. Holzhauser; *Assistant Secretary*, Arthur J. Bauer; *Treasurer*, Clarence O. Bigelow; *Trustee, to serve one year*, Richard H. Timmermann; *Trustees, to serve three years*, William P. Ritchey, David Costello, Ernest Stauffen, V. Chapin Daggett and Charles A. Ricksecker.

THE PHARMACIST AND THE LAW.

PRIVATE FUNDS FOR DRY-LAW ENFORCEMENT.

There are, perhaps, conditions which permit of the addition to public funds for specific purposes; it is debatable whether or not it is in the public interest to receive such donations for enforcing prohibition laws. Willingness to donate has been expressed by quite a number of individuals and some organizations. There

is evident a want of confidence in Federal and State Governments. It is this situation which is distressing, namely, that prohibition regulations are violated by those who have high regard for most laws. The consequence can only be disrespect for government and law. Financial aid to enforcement of law seems at first thought commendable, but the results will be nearly as harmful as disregard of law.