

to bulletin service, passed by the Association at the Asheville convention, was read and copies of bulletins sent out by the Northwest Pharmaceutical Bureau were shown to the members. All of the Board members in attendance took part in the discussion and it was finally moved by Beringer, seconded by LaWall, that a sum not exceeding \$1000 be appropriated to issue four bulletins to the entire membership along lines suggested by Dr. Newcomb and that a questionnaire in the form of a return card be attached to each of the three bulletins on which members can indicate their desire to have the supply of bulletins continued and that the bulletin service shall be continued or discontinued on the basis of the desire expressed by the membership. The motion was carried.

Dr. Army called attention to the present status of the proposed A. Ph. A. Recipe Book. He explained that Chairman Lascoff of the Committee on Recipe Book was ready to go ahead with the editing of some of the "copy" and had requested an appropriation for editorial assistance. Some of the members of the Board were of the opinion that the work of gathering recipes and trying them out had not received as detailed a study as might be desired. It was moved by LaWall, seconded by Scoville, that President Army and Secretary Fischelis be appointed a Special Committee to investigate and report on the present status of the Recipe Book.

It was moved by Whelpley, seconded by Army, that the Secretary be authorized to procure such stationery as is necessary for conducting the work of this office and that the names and addresses of the members of the Board appear thereon. The motion was carried.

It was moved by Whelpley, seconded by LaWall, that the Secretary be instructed to edit the minutes of the Board of Directors before sending them to the Editor of the JOURNAL.

Chairman Beal announced the following committee appointments. Committee on Finance: C. H. LaWall, *Chairman*, H. M. Whelpley and E. F. Kelly. Committee on Publication: R. P. Fischelis, *Chairman*, G. M. Beringer, H. V. Army, Secretary Day, Treasurer Kelly and Editors Eberle and DuMez.

The members of the Committee on Property and Funds are specified in the by-laws adopted by the Board. The committee appointments were approved by the Board.

It was moved by Hilton, seconded by LaWall, that the Treasurer be authorized to transfer \$600 to the travel expense account. The motion was carried.

It was moved by LaWall, seconded by Army, that the expenses of E. G. Eberle and L. L. Walton incident to attending this meeting be paid by the Association. The motion was carried.

It was moved by Whelpley, seconded by Army, that the general rules, the rules of finance and the rules of publication be referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws for consideration in connection with the general revision of the by-laws. The motion was carried.

It was moved by Beringer, seconded by Fischelis, that the Finance Committee be directed to engage a competent auditing firm to audit the accounts of the Treasurer. The motion was carried.

Upon motion by Scoville, seconded by Army, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 P.M.

ROBERT P. FISCHELIS,  
*Secretary, Board of Directors, A. Ph. A.*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### REPORT OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL SYLLABUS COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 1, 1923.\*

*To the American Pharmaceutical Association:*

The Pharmaceutical Syllabus Committee makes the following report for the past year: The third edition of the *Pharmaceutical Syllabus* was issued and distributed late in 1922. The *Syllabus* endeavors to aid the colleges of pharmacy in planning their courses and the boards of pharmacy in preparing their examinations. It serves as a means for coördinating the work of the colleges and the boards. There is nothing compulsory about the use of the *Syllabus*, however, as it tries to be helpful to those who need or desire to use it and no one is obliged to use any part that he does not find helpful.

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\* The report was adopted and referred with favorable recommendation to the Board of Directors.

The *Syllabus* has been prepared by a committee made up of representatives of three national pharmaceutical organizations, of which yours is one. Naturally, there have been many differences of opinion shown in the committee and among those who have used the book, and these led to severe criticisms of the first edition and some criticisms of the second edition. While the present committee is aware of some shortcomings in the third edition, it is pleasant to report that the new edition appears to be giving general satisfaction. The *Syllabus* has undoubtedly justified its existence and each edition has shown a great improvement over the preceding one, so that it is becoming more and more useful to those it is designed to be used by.

All members of the Syllabus Committee serve entirely without pay and some of them have made substantial contributions of supplies and clerical assistance, in addition to their own considerable services. The expenses of the work have been limited to the cost of printing and distributing the book, with only a slight addition for postage and other incidentals. Each of the three organizations represented in the work contribute twenty-five dollars a year towards its expenses and the committee has managed to make it otherwise self-supporting. At the present moment, there is an unpaid balance of six hundred dollars on the cost of making the new edition but this is the only indebtedness and it is amply secured by the copies of the book on hand. The income from the contributions and the sale of the *Syllabus* will extinguish the debt in a reasonably short time.

If a vote to continue the contribution of twenty-five dollars per year by your organization is necessary, it is requested and recommended that this be taken, as the assistance is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE J. BRADLEY, *Chairman*,  
For the Committee.

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#### REPORT OF THE AMERICAN JOINT COMMITTEE ON HORTICULTURAL NOMENCLATURE.\*

*To the American Pharmaceutical Association:*

Your Committee on Horticultural Nomenclature during the past year has been continuing its work in reading and correcting proof for the "Official Catalogue of Standardized Plant Names" and in conjunction with the representatives of the several other organizations constituting the American Joint Committee of Horticultural Nomenclature has now completed its work. The printing of the Catalogue is rapidly nearing completion and should, we understand, be on the market in the near future. It is to be hoped that this work, which has taken several years to compile and for which our Association has contributed both of its money and energy, will be well patronized by the membership of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,

HEBER W. YOUNGKEN, *Chairman*,  
E. N. GATHERCOAL,  
F. E. STEWART.

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#### OFFICERS OF METRIC ASSOCIATION.

The following were elected to office in the Metric Association at the recent meeting at Cincinnati: Dr. George F. Kunz, of New York City, president; Theodore Miller, first vice-president; Arthur E. Kennely, Cambridge, Mass., second vice-president; W. P. Dobson, Toronto, Canada, third vice-president; Howard Richards, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, secretary; and Frederic L. Roberts, New York, treasurer.

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#### FREDERICK M. BECKET PERKIN MEDALIST.

Dr. Frederick M. Becket, of New York, received the Perkin Medal, awarded annually by the Society of Chemical Industry "for the most valuable achievement in applied chemistry made by any citizen of the United States," at a meeting of the American Section of the Society at the Chemists' Club, New York City.

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\* The report was received. The book has been completed since the above report was made at Asheville.—EDITOR.