

# ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

## AD INTERIM BUSINESS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Office of the Secretary, 192 Roseville Ave., Newark, N. J.

LETTER NO. 13.

March 4, 1924.

To the Members of the Board of Directors:

69. *Approval of Tax Reduction in Principle:* Motion No. 17 (see item 65, page 260, letter No. 12) has been carried.

70. *Digest of Comments on U. S. P. and N. F.:* The Secretary has received the following communication from the Treasury Department in answer to a communication sent to Secretary Mellon in January, setting forth the attitude of the Board of Directors with regard to the possibility of suspending publication of the "Digest of Comments on U. S. P. and N. F." (see page 80, Letter No. 9).

"February 7, 1924.

"Sir:

By direction of the Secretary, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 24 in which you urge the bringing up to date of the Digest of Comments on the U. S. Pharmacopœia by the Public Health Service.

"The result of my inquiries indicates that this work is now being carried on with the intent to complete the comments for the year 1922 within the next few months. The number of employees detailed to the task has naturally been decreased as the literature for past years has been caught up with.

"The attitude of the Department with respect to the value of this work may be expressed as follows:

"While it is recognized that the Digest of Comments is of value to the professional groups referred to in your letter, it is not felt that it has a sufficiently broad public health bearing to warrant carrying it on at the expense of fundamental research projects, the results of which would be of value to a much larger number of people.

"The funds at the disposal of the Department for public health research are so limited that great care must be exercised that they are expended in such a manner as will return the largest results for the country as a whole. It would seem that some organization, such for example as the one which you represent, or the Pharmacopœial Revision Committee, might take up the work of compiling the

Digest of Comments, the value of which to such agencies is so great.

Respectfully,

ELIOT WADSWORTH,

Assistant Secretary."

71. *Full Time Secretary:* At the request of Chairman Beal, the following correspondence is placed before the Board of Directors:

"Richmond, Va., Feb. 8, 1924.

"Dear Dr. Beal:

"The minutes of the Board of Directors of the A. Ph. A. as printed in the January Journals do not show that any action was taken toward fulfilling one of the important conditions provided for in the new plan of organization, *viz.*, the employment of a full time secretary. I have no doubt the State associations will begin to question the good faith of the new arrangement, unless this is taken care of before they meet.

"May I ask if the Board contemplates any action on this in the near future.

Very truly,

WORTLEY F. RUDD."

"Camp Walton, Florida. Feb. 20, 1924.

"Dear Professor Rudd:

"Your esteemed favor of February 8th addressed to Urbana, Ill., has been forwarded here where I am spending the winter.

"The employment of a full time Secretary was the subject of much discussion at the Washington meeting of the Board of Directors, but no definite action was taken. The principal difficulty seemed to be to find a man capable of filling the position and willing to accept it. If we could have had the benefit of your wise counsel, it is possible that we might have been able to reach a definite decision.

"I do not know that the members of the Board have any specific action in contemplation at present, but I am sure they will appreciate your assistance in solving the problem before them.

"I shall be pleased to place before the Board any communication you may desire to make.

With best wishes,

Very truly yours,

J. H. BEAL."

72. *Assignment of Committees not otherwise provided for:* The question has arisen as to who shall appoint the Committee on Standards for Unofficial Drugs and Chemical Products, the Committee on Transportation and the Commission on Proprietary Medicines which are not provided for in the revised constitution and by-laws. Chairman Beal has ruled that the Committee on Standards for Unofficial Drugs and Chemical Products, and the Commission on Proprietary Medicines, having been created by Council action, are now under the supervision of the Board of Directors. As they were not named in the old by-laws, their existence is not terminated by the failure to mention them in the new by-laws. The Committee on Transportation, however, is on a different footing. This committee existed by virtue of its being named among the committees specified in the old by-laws. Therefore, if it is not named in the new by-laws, and apparently it is not, it ceases to exist until reestablished.

If there is no disagreement on this ruling within ten days, the matter will be disposed of as provided for by this ruling.

73. *Applicants for Membership:* No. 332, Lee Clyde Gammill, 2809 West 14th St., Little Rock, Ark.; No. 333, Harold Jay Shames, 3847 Giles Ave., Chicago, Illinois; No. 334, Edgar Marion Ohnstein, 2547 So. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Illinois; No. 335, Dai Chuck Chang, 316 N. King St., Honolulu, Hawaii; No. 336, Eugene Henry Silverstone, 1137 32nd Ave., Seattle, Wash.; No. 337, Victor Johnson, 5007 Brooklyn Ave., Seattle, Washington; No. 338, Ladislaus Aloysius Bilski, 5040 W. 31st St., Cicero, Ill.; No. 339, Jacob C. Dykema, 110 Fulton St., E. Grand Rapids, Michigan; No. 340, Floyd St. John, Stevensville, Montana; No. 341, Harry Riback, 1551 S. Hamlin Ave., Chicago, Ill.; No. 342, Dr. Robert Eder, Institute of Pharmacy, Swiss Federal Polytechnicum, Sonneggstrasse 5, Zurich, Switzerland; No. 343, Jerry Albert Pierce, 23 Vine Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.; No. 344, Edna Allen, Selah, Washington; No. 345, Leon Wright Richards, 202 West 48th St., Seattle, Washington; No. 346, Edward H. Zeiler, 2611 East 74 St., Chicago, Illinois; No. 347, Harold E. Becker, 23 Vine Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.; No. 348, Herbert Frederick Schwartz, 150 Bausman St., Pittsburgh, Pa.; No. 349, Stacy Buckner Hall, P. O. Box 862, Chapel Hill, N. C.; No. 350, Earl Jewell Lavery, 4550 6th St., N. E., Seattle, Washington; No. 351, Oscar Carl

Carlson, Wilkson, Washington; No. 352, Miss Kiyo Ariizumi, 913 Yesler Way, Seattle, Washington.

(*Motion No. 19.*) *Vote on applications for active membership in the American Pharmaceutical Association.*

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

#### LETTER NO. 14.

March 14, 1924.

74. *Location of Headquarters Building:* Chairman J. H. Beal has submitted the following communication:

*To the Members of the Board of Directors:*

I have just received from Dr. Dunning the following telegram:

"Baltimore, Md., 3-10, '24.

"J. H. Beal,  
Camp Walton, Fla.

"From extensive correspondence, indicates that it is being generally accepted that the Headquarters Building will be in Washington.

"Within the last few days a number of prospective subscribers have insisted upon this location. Some of my Committee-men and State Chairmen have advised me that they will withdraw their coöperation unless something is decided upon. The communications which I have in hand make it evident that Washington is the proper location. I am greatly handicapped in the campaign work. If it is not possible to decide immediately, and announce Washington as location, telegraph reply.

(Signed) H. A. B. DUNNING."

It is for the Board of Directors to decide whether it has the authority to make any change in the plan already agreed upon.

By action of the old Council, it was decided that the question of location would not be taken up until after sufficient funds had been pledged for the erection and maintenance of the building. This action was reported at two annual meetings of the Association and the report approved without objection. The same action was taken by the Board of Directors at its late meeting in Washington.

All subscriptions hitherto taken have been with the understanding that the question of location would be decided by the membership of the Association at large, and this has been generally and widely announced through the

pharmaceutical press and in the Association JOURNAL.

The Chairman does not wish to accept the responsibility of deciding whether the Board of Directors can, without further instructions from the Association, change the program previously agreed upon.

The members are requested to send to the Secretary of the Board any comments or motions they may have to offer at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. H. BEAL, *Chairman*.

75. *Committee on Transportation*: Secretary W. B. Day submits the following communication:

"I received this morning Letter No. 13 of the Board of Directors. I should like to comment on the status of the Committee on Transportation. When this Committee was created it no doubt served a very useful purpose, the idea being to have a member of this Committee in each of the larger cities to arrange for transportation of the members from these points to the convention city. It seems to me that the need for a committee of this kind has passed. The officers of the Branches are now in the best position to make local arrangements for transportation and the Secretary of the Association should be able to make whatever general arrangements that are necessary; for example, Secretary Schaefer of the New York Branch, has usually made arrangements for transportation of the members from New York and vicinity, as witness the trip that the eastern members made to Asheville via Charleston, South Carolina, last year. The Secretary is in the best position to place before the Board of Directors for ratification whatever arrangements may be made with the railroads to secure reduced fares.

"I have already taken this up with some of the railroads and expect to be able to present the matter to the Board of Directors for action at an early date. Therefore, in my opinion, it is not necessary to revive the old Transportation Committee."

Yours very truly,  
WM. B. DAY, *Secretary*.

76. *Resolutions on the Death of Dr. Hancock*: The committee appointed by Chairman Beal to draw up suitable resolutions expressing the sentiment of the American Pharmaceutical Association on the passing of Dr. Hancock submits the following:

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF DR. JOHN F. HANCOCK.

In the death of Dr. John F. Hancock of Baltimore, Maryland, American Pharmacy has lost a picturesque and commanding figure. A pharmacist of the old school, embodying the highest and noblest traditions of the principles and the practice of the profession, he exemplified everything that is commendable or good in pharmacy.

A student and admirer of William Procter, Jr., "The Father of American Pharmacy," Dr. Hancock carried down into the present generation the ideals and traditions of that period when the American Pharmaceutical Association had its beginning and codes of professional and business practice were first formulated and adopted.

The American Pharmaceutical Association can ill afford to lose one of its most illustrious members, but the loss is tempered by the knowledge that in all the years of his membership Dr. Hancock reflected naught but credit upon his chosen profession, and that if his example could but be multiplied a thousandfold it would place pharmacy in a position where it would compel the respect which has so often been denied it.

The Board of Directors of the American Pharmaceutical Association desires to express its keen appreciation of the loss that has been suffered by the Association in the death of Dr. Hancock and to extend to the bereaved family the sympathy of the organization which he honored by his long affiliation with it.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee:

CHARLES H. LAWALL, *Chairman*,  
E. F. KELLY,  
ROBERT P. FISCHELIS.

(*Motion No. 20.*) It is moved by Fischelis that the foregoing resolutions be adopted and that copies be sent to the family of Dr. Hancock and to the pharmaceutical press.

77. *Appropriation for Headquarters Campaign*: (*Motion No. 21.*) It is moved by LaWall that an appropriation not to exceed \$5000 be made for the Headquarters Building Fund Campaign and that this amount be added to the 1924 expense budget.

78. *Election of new members*: *Motion No. 18* (see item 68, page 261, Letter No. 12) and *Motion No. 19* (see item 73, Letter No. 13) have been carried.

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

## LETTER NO. 15.

March 22, 1924.

79. *Location of Headquarters Building:*  
Mr. Hilton writes as follows:

"Washington, D. C., March 15, 1924.

"No one is in such a good position as Dr. Dunning to advise on the location of the Headquarters Building, I feel that his suggestion should have full support, I therefore move that the matter be laid before the Directors for a vote and that the Headquarters building be located in Washington.

S. L. HILTON."

(*Motion No. 22.*) It is moved by Hilton that the headquarters building be located in Washington. Comments are in order.

Prof. Scoville writes as follows:

"Detroit, March 18, 1924.

"Regarding the situation which the A. Ph. A. is now in, relative to the collection of funds for the Headquarters Building, I desire to make the following motion:\*

"I have long felt that the prospects for a successful campaign would be much strengthened if we had a more definite project to campaign for. If now there can be set a definite time at which the location of the building, an estimate of cost, and an estimate of endowment (and I believe that these two should be considered in their definite relationships to each other) will be considered—and probably settled, then the present plans can be carried on with the proviso that when necessary, subscriptions may be received subject to withdrawal if such plans are disapproved by the subscribers within four months of their publication.

"I believe that it is the privilege—nay, even the duty—of a subscriber to judge not only the worthiness of a cause but also the reasonableness and thrift with which it is to be executed. Hence I think that the demand to know more definitely what our plans are is reasonable and I hope that the above motion will put our campaign on such a basis.

Yours very truly,

WILBUR L. SCOVILLE."

\* (*Motion No. 23.*) That the combined committees on the Headquarters Fund (Drs. Beal and Dunning, chairman) be requested to present at the Buffalo meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association, definite recommendations for the (city) location of the proposed Headquarters Building,

together with an estimate of the (minimum) cost of such building, suitable to the needs of the association, and of the endowment necessary for its maintenance.

(Comments are invited.)

Mr. Beringer writes as follows:

"Camden, N. J. March 19, 1924.

"In consideration of the subject presented in letter No. 14, the decision by the Board of Directors as to the location of the proposed 'Headquarters Building,' I am constrained to present my view on this subject. I believe that it would be ill advised for the Board of Directors to assume the authority to decide the question, which it was distinctly understood, was to be reserved for decision by the entire membership of the Association. The more thought I give to this subject, the more am I led to the conclusion that we should not speak of the proposed building as 'Headquarters Building.' The ideas and discussions on the subject are now taking a more definite shape and sentiment is now so crystallizing that I believe that we should adopt a different title. The original proposition spoke of this as the 'Home of the American Pharmaceutical Association;' later we have spoken of the title as that of 'Headquarters Building.' The purpose now would indicate that it is to be a building dedicated to all Pharmaceutical interests, and as this purpose has been agreed upon, I would suggest as a more appropriate title, 'American Pharmacy Building.' The ownership, control and management of the property should, of course, continue with the American Pharmaceutical Association.

"As to the location, I have in mind the sentiment of the Country is crystallizing in favor of Washington as the proper place for all such national buildings.

"It possibly would not be out of order for the members of the Board of Directors to express their individual preference or opinion in this matter without assuming to officially decide the question that has been reserved by the prior action of the organization. Such a public expression from the Directors would amount to a straw vote, but would not be obligatory or binding on the members.

Yours very truly,

GEORGE M. BERINGER."

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