

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COÖPERATION OF AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION WITH NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL.*

Mr. President and Fellow Members of the A. Ph. A.:

The Committee on Coöperation of the American Pharmaceutical Association with the Division of Biology and Agriculture of the National Research Council, appointed late in 1922 by the Council of the A. Ph. A. with the aims of coöperating with the National Research Council in stimulating and coördinating research in the fields of Pharmacognosy and Pharmaceutical Botany and securing ultimately representation for these branches of American Pharmacy on the National Research Council, respectfully submits the following report:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Division of Biology and Agriculture of the National Research Council held in Washington, Dec. 16, 1922, the personnel of the Committee on Coöperation was approved, as submitted by Chairman Hilton of the A. Ph. A. Council.

Prior to this meeting the Chairman of the Committee on Coöperation wrote to Doctor Lillie, then Chairman of the Division of Biology and Agriculture, requesting that the Committee on Coöperation be constituted a sub-committee on Pharmaceutical Botany and Pharmacognosy of the Division of Biology and Agriculture of the National Research Council.

On January 3, 1923, he received the following letter:

Dr. Heber W. Youngken,
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 3, 1923.

Dear Dr. Youngken:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Division of Biology and Agriculture on December 16th the personnel of the Committee on Coöperation from the American Pharmaceutical Association was approved as submitted. Action on your request to constitute this a sub-committee on pharmaceutical botany and pharmacognosy was delayed pending further information. It has not been the custom in the Division to constitute committees of the Division from the committees on coöperation of the societies concerned for the reason that the purposes and functions of the two groups are necessarily different in certain respects. The Executive Committee felt, therefore, first, that the recommendation for the appointment of a committee on pharmaceutical botany and pharmacognosy should be supported with argument inasmuch as the Division is now moving toward reduction of committees rather than increase of their number; and in the second place if such committee were approved the question of personnel should be studied as a separate matter from that of the committee on coöperation of the Pharmaceutical Association. I think it may be found that the committee on coöperation will be sufficient to establish all useful contacts for the time being.

(Signed) FRANK R. LILLIE, *Chairman*.

It was early felt by the members of the Committee on Coöperation that while recognition had been received from the National Research Council for Pharmacognosy and Botany, it was nevertheless apparent that the status of our Committee was such that it could only *suggest* rather than *direct* problems desiring attention, that to undertake the work of coördinating and initiating research in its field would require both the moral and financial backing of the National Research Council, and, further, that by being an integral body of it its potentialities would be greater and pharmaceutic interests best served. After first obtaining the opinions of the members of the committee relative to their reasons for the change in status, your chairman, on the 20th of March, submitted a collective argument to the Executive Committee of the Division of Biology and Agriculture of the National Research Council indicating the reasons the Committee on Coöperation had for desiring the status of a sub-committee or committee of the Division rather than that of a Committee on Coöperation.

As a result of this argument, the Executive Committee of the Division of Biology and Agriculture, at its meeting in Washington on April 22nd, voted affirmatively to change the status

* Presented and accepted at Asheville meeting, A. Ph. A., 1923.

of the Committee on Coöperation to that of the Committee on Pharmacognosy and Pharmaceutical Botany of the Division of Biology and Agriculture of the National Research Council. It also appointed the personnel of the A. Ph. A. Committee on Coöperation to serve until June 30, 1924.

Additional recognition and representation has thus been attained for American Pharmacy in the National Research Council.

(Signed) E. N. GATHERCOAL,
E. L. NEWCOMB,
ARNO VIEHOEVER,
H. H. RUSBY,
HEBER W. YOUNGKEN, *Chairman.*



SOCIAL EVENING OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE PALESTINE PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE CENTRAL BRANCH, JERUSALEM.

1, F. Haddad (President); 2, E. Oplatka (Vice-President); 3, J. Michlin (Secretary); 4, M. Hausdorff (Treasurer); 5, Miss F. Fabritz; 6, A. Koswiner; 7, S. Tannous (Committee members); 8, Reitblatt (Jaffa delegate); 9, Aurbach (Tel-aviv delegate); 10, R. Nassar (Haifa delegate); 11, S. Carnapas; 12, P. Gaitanopoulos (of the Council); 13, Dr. Oplatka (Health Department); 14, Dr. Ticho; 15, Dr. Beham (Jewish Med. Assoc.); 16, Dr. Kalbian; 17, Dr. Tannous (Academy of Medicine); 18, Dr. M. Malouf (Dist. Health Office); 19, Dr. Neuman (Bicur Holim Hosp.); 20, M. Michlin (Mig. Lad. Hosp.); 21, Dr. Litwak; 22, Dr. Marie Meises.—Allenby Hotel, Jerusalem.

LETTERS FROM OUR HONORARY MEMBERS.

Dr. L. Van Itallie of Leyden under date of March 27 expresses his appreciation of the honor conferred by electing him an honorary member of the American Pharmaceutical Association. He states that he has for many years read the *JOURNAL* of the Association with a great deal of interest and considers it a favor to be more closely associated with the work of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

Professor Emil Perrot of Paris, France, thanks the Association for his election as honorary member and also sends several monographs dealing with research work in his laboratory. He appreciates highly the distinction of membership in the Association.

Dr. J. G. Gadamer of Marburg in a letter to Secretary Day acknowledges the compliment conferred by electing him an honorary member of the American Pharmaceutical Association. A second edition of Dr. Gadamer's work, "Chemical Toxicology," is just off the press.

Dr. H. Thoms formally acknowledges with thanks his election to honorary membership, which he states has given him great joy, and asks to be remembered to the membership of the American Pharmaceutical Association. Dr. Thoms has recently returned to his home after nearly a year's absence. He visited in the United States on his journey to the Far East.