

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LOCAL BRANCHES

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Article IV of Chapter VII reads: "Each local branch having not less than 50 dues-paid members of the Association, holding not less than six meetings annually with an attendance of not less than 9 members at each meeting, and the proceedings of which shall have been submitted to the JOURNAL for publication, may elect one representative to the House of Delegates."

Reports of the meetings of the Local Branches should be mailed to the Editor on the day following the meeting, if possible. Minutes should be typewritten, with wide spaces between the lines. Care should be taken to give proper names correctly, and manuscript should be signed by the reporter.

BALTIMORE.

The November meeting of the Baltimore Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held at the Hotel Emerson on Tuesday, November 25, 1924, at 8:15 P.M., John C. Krantz, Jr. presiding.

The address of the evening was made by Dr. E. C. White, Associate in Urology in Johns Hopkins Medical School, and Research Chemist for Hynson, Westcott & Dunning, his subject being "Organic Mercurials."

Dr. White pointed out the distinction between salts of mercury and the organic mercurials, and emphasized the chemical properties of the latter that make them suitable for therapeutic studies. The historical development of organic mercurials was briefly sketched. The development of experiments leading to the production of mercurochrome and related mercurated dyes was described, and the use of mercurochrome locally and intravenously in the treatment of various infections was discussed. It was pointed out that animal experiments on the intravenous injection of this drug afforded a rational basis for its use in certain special types of infection in humans.

Certain other organic mercurials, especially those derived from nitro-phenols, were described, and their biological properties were commented upon.

Quite an interesting discussion, which was participated in by Dr. M. S. Kahrasch, William J. Lowry, Jr. and Miss Jennie Kroopnick, followed the lecture of Dr. White.

The next meeting of the Branch will be held on Dec. 17th, 1924. Dr. R. A. Baker, formerly of the University of Syracuse, will speak on the subject: "The Chemical Importance of the Metals."

B. OLIVE COLE, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

CHICAGO.

The Chicago Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association held its 145th regular meeting in conjunction with other pharmaceutical organizations of Chicago and Illinois to honor Dr. James H. Beal and to promote the campaign for the Pharmacy Headquarters Building. Samuel C. Henry was chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for this meeting, serving for the following organizations: Illinois Pharmaceutical Association, Chicago Retail Druggists' Association, Chicago Drug Club, Chicago Veteran Druggists' Association, Women's Organization of the C. R. D. A., and the Chicago Branch, A. Ph. A.

Much to the regret of Dr. Beal and his host of Chicago friends the guest of honor could not be present on account of the condition of his health, Dr. Beal's physicians having insisted that he must avoid fatigue and excitement.

An excellent dinner was served to about one hundred at the Hamilton Club; the music was furnished by the Chicago Branch Orchestra, of five members.

Samuel L. Antonow, Illinois State Chairman for the Headquarters Building Campaign, presided. General Secretary William B. Philip was called upon to introduce the subject of the evening, from the historical standpoint; his able presentation brought the audience into close touch with this great project and prepared the way for the splendid address of Publicity Director F. L. Newcomb. The speaker was among the first to actively advocate an A. Ph. A. headquarters building and heartily endorses the plan for a building that will house all national pharmaceutical organizations and urged his audience to whole heartedly work for the location of the building in Chicago. He stated that the location would

be decided by popular vote and that votes could be had by obtaining subscriptions for the Headquarters' Building fund. He discussed some of the great problems of Pharmacy which can only be solved by united counsel and action of all drug interests. He referred to the importance of publicity for pharmacy—the encouragement of the favorable and the suppression of the false and harmful. Among other subjects included by the speaker as important and requiring coordinated cooperative effort were: Pharmaceutical legislation; science of business, with reference to the large sums of money necessary for carrying on investigations; revision of the *materia medica* in the light of clinical experience—popular use and new discoveries.

Among other speakers, all of whom endorsed and promised support to the project, were the following: Henry C. Christensen, Secretary N. A. B. P.; Harold N. Bruun, Vice-President of C. R. D. A.; Dr. A. S. Burdick of the Abbott Laboratories; Mrs. J. A. Topf, President of W. O. C. R. D. A.; J. F. Gutherie, President of the Ill. Pharmaceutical Travelers' Association; L. E. Warren, President Chicago Branch, A. Ph. A.; Lieut. Albert Albrecht, pharmacist in the Marine Corps; A. L. Liljestrom, I. A. Becker, F. J. Buck, P. J. Kolb and many others.

The following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS a campaign has been initiated by the American Pharmaceutical Association for the collection of a fund to erect a suitable headquarters building to serve all pharmaceutical interests, and

WHEREAS, we, representatives of the C. R. D. A., I. Ph. A., Chicago Drug Club, C. V. D. A., Chicago Chapter W. O. C. R. D. A., Chicago Branch, A. Ph. A., recognize the real need for correlating the activities of the different branches of the drug industry in order that the big problems of American pharmacy may be solved, and

WHEREAS, we are convinced that such a pharmacy headquarters building should be centrally located geographically and in a city where many other similar institutions are already established, and

WHEREAS, we know that Chicago meets the fore-mentioned requirements and possesses unexcelled advantages for such an American pharmacy building, and

WHEREAS, the location of this building is to be determined by a popular vote and all who contribute twenty-five dollars or more, pay-

ment of which can be made over a period of years, are entitled to membership in the American Pharmaceutical Association with vote,

Therefore, we wholeheartedly endorse this project and urge the members of our respective organizations, as well as all drug interests, to contribute and give their active support to the end that the campaign be completed and the building be located in the City of Chicago.

DECEMBER.

The 146th meeting of the Chicago Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held December 12, at the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy. A reception was given to new members and a delightful social evening was enjoyed by all in attendance, instead of the usual scientific program. One hundred or more were in attendance at the supper which preceded the evening's program; it follows:

- Music School Orchestra
- Reading Alice Haller
- Piano Solo Ruth Hordlicka
- Reading Josephine Bauml
- Music School Orchestra

ONE ACT PLAY.

"SIX CUPS OF CHOCOLATE."

Characters:

- Adeline von Lindau, a German girl, Josephine Bauml.
- Marion Lee, a Transplanted Southern Girl, Madge Walborn.
- Dorothy Green, a New Englander, Estelle Warczak.
- Hestor Beacon, a Bostonian, Barbara Hynes.
- Beatrix van Kortlandt, a New Yorker, Catherine Curran.
- Jeannette Durand, a French Girl, Evelyn Caron.

E. N. GATHERCOAL, *Secretary*.

CINCINNATI.

A conference of leading pharmacists was held at the Hotel Gibson, November 19, to discuss the professional side of pharmacy and to take steps to promote the interest of the pharmacist and the physician in this phase of pharmacy. President Charles Ehlers, of the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy, presented an invitation from 'The Ohio Valley Druggists' Association to the Cincinnati Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association to hold joint meetings of the two bodies on the second Tuesday

afternoon of each month. The invitation was accepted, and a committee on program was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Ehlers, Jennie, Voss, and Brittain, to prepare a program for the next meeting, which is to be held the second Tuesday in December at the offices of the Ohio Valley Druggists' Association. Mr. Ehlers suggested as a topic for discussion the proposed change in the college curriculum of the schools of pharmacy from a two-year to a three-year course. This matter will come up at the next session of the Legislature, and the pharmacists are urged to come forward and express their opinions on the matter.

Among those who took part in the discussion were Milton Franken, J. Jennie, Ed. Joss, Jr., Joseph Schneider, W. Brittain, E. H. Thiesing, Dennis Murphy, F. H. Galle, and H. G. Schmuelling. The meeting was presided over by President Caswell A. Mayo, of the local branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association. Among those present, besides those named above, were Fred Fruechtemeyer, A. J. Curtis, H. E. Iglar, Theodore Mueller, and Oscar Reifschneider.

NEW YORK.

The December, 1924, meeting of the New York Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was called to order in the Lecture Hall of the New York College of Pharmacy Bldg., Monday the 8th, with President Smith in the chair.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. Twenty-five members and friends were present.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Gerstner brought in a written report which was ordered filed.

Fraternal Relations: Chairman Lehman reported that he had been doing much indirect work, through attending many meetings of other organizations.

Membership Committee: The following applications were received for membership: *Parent Organization*, Julius O. E. Neven, 1080 Cypress Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. *N. Y. Local Branch*, Leo Reich, 780 Union Ave., New York, N. Y.

Audit Committee: Dr. Diner reported that all bills before him were passed on.

Discussion now arose relative to the reorganization of the New York Pharmaceutical Conference. It was moved, seconded and carried that our delegates be empowered to act for us and to report at the next meeting on this matter.

Communications: A letter of resignation from Mr. Frank L. McCartney was received. It was moved, seconded and carried that this resignation be accepted with regret.

Professor H. V. Army reported on the death of Mr. McElhenie. It was moved, seconded and carried that a committee be appointed to draw up suitable resolutions. President Smith announced this committee to consist of Messrs. Army, Lehman and Schaefer.

President Smith also announced the Committee on Nominations to report at the next meeting and to consist of Messrs. Lehman, Mayer and Wimmer.

SCIENTIFIC SECTION.

Dr. Diekman now presented abstracts on the following:

- Tests for Medicinal Carbon Tetrachloride
- Esterification of Chaulmoogra oil
- Variations in Acet-tannin
- Differences in properties of Theobromine, Theophyllin and Caffeine
- Preparation of Magnesium Acetyl Salicylate
- Color reaction of Luminal
- Antipyrine with Trichlor-acetic acid
- Manufacture of a hydrated Bismuth Hydroxide

New preparations:

- Geox-Sana—Phenosalyt.
- Gelatin for injections—Alinol
- Brucine, Optalgin No. 1, Optalgin No. 2.

President Smith announced the presence of President Holton of the A. Ph. A., who made a brief address, dwelling particularly upon the A. Ph. A. Headquarters Fund drive.

Prof. C. P. Wimmer, speaker of the evening, was now introduced and delivered a most interesting talk on "The Onward March of Science—A Review of Modern Researches and Inventions."

A short discussion followed in which Drs. Army, Diner and Schaefer participated.

HUGO H. SCHAEFER, *Secretary*.

NORTHERN OHIO.

The Northern Ohio Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association held its regular meeting November 25, 1924, at the Western Reserve University School of Pharmacy, 2045 Adelbert Road.

A report was heard on the Buffalo meeting from the voting delegate, Edward D. Davy, and from Edward Spease.

The topics for discussion were: (1) The three-year course in Pharmacy; and (2) Abolishment of the Assistant Pharmacist.

The presence of a goodly number of pharmacists at this meeting indicated the great interest which they have in the subjects and all entered into the discussion bringing out their views for the good of pharmacy as it exists and that which we should strive to make it.

EDWARD D. DAVY, *Secretary*.

NORTHWESTERN.

The December meeting of Northwestern Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was called to order by Chairman Charles H. Huhn at 2:00 P.M., Friday, December 19, 1924, at the West Hotel, Minneapolis.

In the absence of the Secretary F. A. Upsher Smith, H. C. Kruckeberg was elected Secretary pro tem.

Secretary Smith had before the meeting his letter of resignation. He based his request upon his inability to carry the work of the office on account of being too busy. By vote the resignation was accepted.

Upon motion, F. J. Wulling was unanimously elected to fill out the unexpired term of the secretaryship and he immediately assumed the duties of the office.

By motion it was decided to accept the invitation of the Scientific and Practical Section of the M. S. P. A. to meet jointly with the Section at its next meeting in February.

Upon motion, the Chairman appointed a Nominating Committee to report nominations for the election to take place at the next meeting. The committee appointed consisted of Messrs. Jelinek, Chairman; Kruckeberg and Dargavel.

The newly appointed Nominating Committee then made the following nominations: President, A. J. Kline or H. H. Gregg; Vice-President, Miss Frances Greenwalt or Miss Margaret Keenan; Secretary, Charles V. Netz; Treasurer, Fred Klenert.

The question whether the election was to be by mail ballot having arisen, the Secretary was instructed to proceed according to the rules and By-Laws whatever they may be.

Upon motion, the Chairman appointed Messrs. Jelinek and Dargavel as tellers to function at the coming election.

The business of the meeting having been completed, a symposium followed on the question of the advantage of joint meetings of all Twin City Associations related to Pharmacy,

such as the Branch, the Minneapolis Retail Druggists' Association, the St. Paul Retail Druggists' Association, the Alumni Association of the College of Pharmacy of the University of Minnesota and the Minnesota Women Pharmacists' Association. Messrs. Huhn, Kruckeberg, Jelinek, Dargavel, Smetana, Kline, Wulling and Miss Malerich took part in the symposium.

FREDERICK J. WULLING, *Secretary*.

PHILADELPHIA.

The December meeting of the Philadelphia Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held on Tuesday evening, December 9th, at the P. A. R. D. Building, 2017 Spring Garden Street.

The meeting was called to order at eight-thirty o'clock by President Harrison. Upon motion, the reading of the minutes of the October meeting, which had not been presented at the November session, was dispensed with. However, the Secretary read the minutes of the Mock Trial meeting of November, which had been so ably written up by Ivor Griffith.

As there was no general business to come before the branch, the President then introduced the speaker of the evening, Prof. E. Fullerton Cook, chairman of the U. S. P. X. Revision Committee, who spoke on the U. S. P. X. and the changes it will bring for the next decade.

Chairman Cook first presented a most interesting story of the workings of the revision committee. He complimented highly the members of the committee for the manner in which they cooperated in the work of the various sub-committees. He also spoke particularly of the splendid aid given by those who are not members of the committee, pharmaceutical and chemical houses and experts from all over the country having assisted the committee greatly by the cooperation they have given in supplying experimental data and information from their own files and records.

The Auxiliary workers of the various committees were given a special tribute for their earnest cooperation in all the committee work. The Bureau of Chemistry at Washington has provided help in every branch of work and will prepare and have for distribution to those who care for them, Bio-Assay standards for the new Pharmacopœia, that all manufacturers throughout the country can prepare Biological products on a uniform basis.

The speaker then gave a very interesting

résumé of the additions and added tests and assays for the new Pharmacopœia. Among the articles of particular interest which have been added are the following: Strong and mild Silver Protein, which provide standards for many of the articles of colloidal and protein silver type found on the present market. Arsphenamine and neorsphenamine.—Barbital and its Sodium Salt, more familiar to us as veronal and veronal sodium.—Barium Sulphate for X-ray work, and containing a note of caution never to abbreviate it because of its being so readily mistaken for the dangerous sulphide of Barium.—Ethyl Aminobenzoate commonly known as Anesthesin or Benzocaine.—Calcium Iodobehenate frequently called Sajodin.—Carbon Tetrachloride, a purified product so valuable for hook worms. Carbromal, familiar as Adalin.—Chloramine T and Dichloramine T, the war antiseptics, and chlorinated paraffin, the solvent for the latter.—Dextrose, suitable for intravenous injections.—Epinephrine and its solution, more familiar as Adrenalin.—Ipomœa and its resin, which replaced Scammony, and the resin of Scammony. Surgical Solution of Chlorinated Soda, another war product known as Dakin's solution—Chaulmoogra Oil and its ethyl ester so valuable in the treatment of leprosy.—Phenobarbital, long familiar as Luminal—Phenolsulphonaphthalein or Phenol Red.—Procaine Hydrochloride or Novocaine.—Quinine Ethylcarbonate or Euquinine.—Thyroxin, the active principle of Thyroid. Finally, whisky and brandy, which speak for themselves.

Chairman Cook also roughly reported about one hundred and fifty "deletions" and as it is taken for granted that most of the articles deleted were not of great value it does not seem necessary to repeat them here. It was mentioned, incidentally, that undoubtedly the N. F. V. would take up a great many of the articles not admitted to the U. S. P. X.

A number of changes in titles were also reported; changes, which in many instances will cause a bit of questioning when a pharmacist receives his first prescription under the new titles. For instance, when "Sucrose" means ordinary "Sugar," and "Lactose" is "Sugar of Milk," we'll probably find many uninformed ones sending out to their nearest neighbor for one ounce of "Sucrose." Saccharin is replaced with Gluside, Hexamethylenamine by Methen-

amine, Tetanus Antitoxin replaces Antitetanic Serum, etc.

Another change, quite worthy of mention, is that of the Ointment of Yellow Oxide of Mercury. This preparation has been changed from the ten per cent. ointment to a one per cent. product to conform with modern usage. An optional assay has also been provided for Cod-Liver Oil, based upon the vitamine A content.

Professor Cook presented many more interesting notes that we are unable to duplicate here and a general discussion followed his presentation.

A resolution was passed by the Branch instructing the Secretary to convey to the Chairman and the members of the U. S. P. X. Revision Committee a message of thanks and appreciation for the great amount of personal time and energy each one is so unselfishly giving in the revision work.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Professor Cook for his most interesting presentation and for the trouble he had gone to in bringing out so much data and material of interest to all those present.

As usual for Branch nights, a dinner was served at the Engineers' Club before the regular meeting of the evening.

ADLEY B. NICHOLS, *Secretary*.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

The regular monthly meeting of the University of Washington Branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association was held Tuesday, December 2, in Bagley Hall. Inspector H. V. Williamson, in charge of the Narcotic Division, presented an interesting, illustrated talk on narcotic traffic. Many devices were displayed that had been used in smuggling, everything from kewpie dolls to Chinese Joss. The display of opium pipes, those made from door knobs, bottles, etc., as well as the more elaborate Chinese pipes, held the interest of the audience. Vest pocket balances, accurate and compact, along with many other articles, added to the display. Mr. Williamson also presented a large number of photographs depicting the facial characteristics of narcotic habitués. A hearty vote of thanks, along with a notice that he would be called on again, was given the speaker. Thirty-five were present.

HARRIET SNIDOW, *Secretary*.