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The great grandfather of the President of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy was a native of Maryland and a pioneer settler of Champaign County, Ohio. The father of the subject of this sketch moved to Marion Township, in Allen County, where Nile was born July 5, 1882. The home of young Ford, until his majority, was on his father's farm on which a stone quarry was located. He assisted in the farm work and in preparing the stone of the quarry for the public highway. His earlier education was received in the Township schools and, later, he attended Ohio Northern University at Ada. Thereafter the young man matriculated at Scio College of Pharmacy, of which Dr. J. H. Beal was then the dean. On completion of his college work, in 1906, Mr. Ford was awarded the first prize for pharmaceutical laboratory work—membership in the American Pharma-CEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. He returned to his home county and found employment with King Bros. in Delphos; later, he accepted a position in King and Williams Pharmacy, and, after completing the years of apprenticeship, qualified as a pharmacist by passing the State Pharmacy Board examination; here he continued until 1912, when he was named Secretary of the Ohio State Board of Pharmacy.

Secretary Ford exhibits a deep interest in everything that pertains to pharmacy, both in national and state affairs. When he first assumed the duties of office all the work devolved on him, now there are two inspectors who visit all sections of the state in the discharge of their duties and two assistants aid the Secretary in his office at Columbus.

The work of Mr. Ford pointed him out as one qualified for the presidency of the National Association and, at the meeting in Des Moines, he was thus honored. The Association has his services for this year which, no doubt, will be marked by his careful and painstaking efforts for pharmacy and the N. A. B. P.

Mr. Ford married Miss Goldie Mae Friedline, of Delphos, in 1913; Mrs. Ford died in 1920 and is survived by a son and daughter. President Ford is active in both Scottish and York Rite Masonry, as a Knight of Pythias, and a member of the Methodist Church.

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