

Company, a cousin of the late Howard B. French, and nephew of Samuel H. French, founder of French, Richards & Co., predecessors of Smith, Kline & French Company. The deceased was in his 69th year.

The death of Prof. Dr. C. van Wisselingh at Groningen (Holland) is reported. The deceased had been connected with the University for more than 40 years. The *Pharmaceutisch Weekblad* published an interesting autobiography of the deceased—pp. 1229–1245 and 1254–1269 (1925). Professor van Wisselingh was an apothecary and specialized in plant physiology, plant microscopy, etc. Articles pertaining to the chemistry and pharmacy of plants, the location and production of chitin in the plant, etc., were printed almost exclusively in Dutch periodicals and in a few French

and German publications. Dr. van Wisselingh never published his researches in periodicals in the English language although some abstracts of his work on seed-coats can be found in the *Chemical Abstracts* and *Botanical Abstracts*. The latter were prepared by our fellow-member Dr. H. Engelhardt, to whom we are indebted for the information relative to the deceased.

Arthur Whitman Clafin, President of George L. Clafin Company of Providence, R. I., died January 12, aged 73 years. He was prominent in business, organization and municipal affairs. The deceased is survived by Mrs. Clafin, a daughter, Louisa Howard, and a son, Albert Whitman; the latter is a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. Sympathy is extended to the bereaved.

## SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

### THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION IS NOW AN AFFILIATED SOCIETY OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

The AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION became affiliated with the American Association for the Advancement of Science, at the Kansas City Meeting, December 28, 1925, to January 2, 1926. The next meeting will be held in Philadelphia, December 27, 1926.

By a new ruling of the council, any member of an affiliated organization may at any time within the next three years join the American Association for the Advancement of Science without paying the usual five-dollar entrance fee. The Permanent Secretary is Burton E. Livingston, Smithsonian Institution Building, Washington, D. C. The President-elect of the Association is Dr. L. H. Bailey, Professor Emeritus in the College of Agriculture at Cornell, which largely owes its establishment to him. He was dean and active member of its faculty for twenty-five years or more.

### CHIEF OF THE CHEMICAL DIVISION, BUREAU OF STANDARDS.

Dr. Edward Wright Washburn, Urbana, Ill., has been appointed chief of the chemical division, bureau of standards, Department of Commerce, succeeding Dr. W. F. Hillebrand, deceased.

Graduating from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1905, Dr. Washburn brings to his new position a thorough knowledge of

chemistry and allied subjects and a wide acquaintance in the field of chemical research. He was formerly editor of *International Critical Tables* and has contributed to periodicals covering the field of chemical research.

### CHANGES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND.

Dr. Albert F. Woods has sent in his resignation as President of the University of Maryland to accept an important post in the Government agricultural service. Dr. Woods was awarded a gold medal at the Paris Exposition in 1900 for his agricultural research. He was assistant botanist of the University of Nebraska from 1890 until 1893, assistant chief and first assistant pathologist of the Division of Vegetable Physiology and Pathology, 1893–1900, and pathologist, physiologist and assistant chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, from 1900 until 1910. In 1910 he was chosen dean of the Minneosta State Agricultural College and director of the State agricultural experiment station. It was from this college that he came to the Maryland Agricultural College.

Announcement has been made by the Department of Dr. Woods' appointment as Scientific Director.

Dr. Raymond Allen Pearson, President of the Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts, has tendered his resignation to the board of that institution to accept an offer of the Presidency of the University of

Maryland to succeed Dr. Woods. That both have been requested by the boards of their respective universities to reconsider their actions evidences the high regard in which they are held.

#### PERUVIAN DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION.

The membership of the "Asociacion de Droguistas del Peru" is limited to wholesale dealers and importers in drugs, pharmaceutical chemicals and preparations, and druggists' sundries, employing a qualified pharmacist in accordance with existing legal requirements. The objects of the association are to protect and further the interests of its members, provide and exchange information required by them in the course of business, equip and maintain a library, and to promote business in general. Señor Felix Oliva Salaverri was elected the first President of the association. Foreign manufacturers, or their representatives in Peru, may become associate members.

Señor Juan Anaya, the new President of the Federacion Nacional de Farmaceuticos del Peru, has recently presented a fully equipped chemical laboratory to the Institute of Pharmacy.

#### SIMPLIFYING DRUG CATALOGS.

The American Drug Manufacturers' Association committee on simplification of catalogs was in session in New York, in December. The committee's work has been along the line of continuing the elimination of numerous items believed to be obsolete or unnecessary from the trade catalogs. The association has had a committee engaged on this task for a year or two, in coöperation with the Department of Commerce in its campaign for elimination of waste and simplified practice. The plan has been reported to be, when the Drug Manufacturers' Association has completed the list of items to be deleted, to have a get-together conference at the department with representatives of the wholesale and retail branches of the trade with a view to reaching an agreement on eliminating many thousand items.

#### NEW YORK SQUARE CLUB.

The Drug and Chemical Square Club, New York, held its regular monthly meeting January 21 in the Marinello Company offices, 72 Fifth Avenue. A short address was made by Charles A. MacHenry, President of the National League of Masonic Clubs. This was followed by the presentation of three

solid gold life membership cards to Thomas R. Freebody, Henry B. Smith, and Elmer H. Merritt, the retiring tyler, all former Presidents.

#### PHILADELPHIA DRUG EXCHANGE.

At its annual meeting, Wednesday, January 28, the Philadelphia Drug Exchange re-elected as *President*, C. Mahlon Kline; other officers were chosen as follows: *Vice-President*, Herbert R. McIlvaine; *Secretary*, Joseph W. England; *Treasurer*, A. L. Hilles, Jr.

The Annual Report of the Exchange contains the following subjects: "Annual Message," C. Mahlon Kline, *President*; "Report on Business and Financial Conditions," Joseph W. England, *Secretary*; "Reports on Conditions in the Drug, Chemical and Allied Industries Legislation," Walter V. Smith; "Crude Drugs and Drug Milling," Herbert R. McIlvaine; "Medicinal Chemicals," F. L. Bodman; "Heavy and Industrial Chemicals," Alex. C. Fergusson, Jr.; "Volatile Oils," J. F. Pound; "Pharmaceutical and Biological Products," H. H. Whyte; "Paints, Oils and Varnishes," C. Stanley French; "Advertising and Selling," Harrison S. Hires; "Accounting, Credits and Collections," Henry Paul Busch; "Group Insurance," John F. Belsterling; "Assets or Ashes," A. L. Hilles, Jr.; "If All Research Should Stop?" Charles H. LaWall. These reports are brief but to the point and much valuable information is contained in them.

On Thursday, January 28th, the Annual Dinner was given at the Bellevue Stratford, attended by nearly 300 members and guests; the ladies graced the occasion. The speakers of the evening were Hon. Harry S. McDevitt, Judge of Court of Common Pleas No. 1, Philadelphia, who embodied in his splendid address some of the reasons for the causes of crime. C. Burgess Taylor spoke on "The Business Administration of a City Government." He advocated a commission form of city government with a business manager. He brought into his address the Athenian citizen's oath: "We will never bring disgrace to this, our city, by any act of cowardice or dishonesty. We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the city. We will revere and obey the city's laws and do our best to incite a like respect and reverence in others. We will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of duty. We will transmit this city to those who come after us, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

It seems to the writer that this might be

paraphrased so as to apply to pharmacy and pharmacists.

W. Russell Green spoke of "The Romance of Your Job." He left no doubt in the minds of his hearers that the individual reaps the rewards of his work. Music added to the pleasures of the evening.

#### BOSTON RETAIL DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION.

Officers were elected at the fifty-first annual meeting of Boston Druggists' Association, January 27th, at Young's Hotel as follows: *President*, Harry C. Wiggin; *Treasurer*, C. Herbert Packard; *Secretary*, Walter R. DOLLIVER; *Executive Committee*: C. Fred Wright, W. H. Glover, J. R. Sawyer, C. C. Hearn, A. H. Bartlett, T. J. Bradley, F. S. Rogers. *Membership Committee*: J. E. Mullen, W. D. Elliott, H. B. Knight, S. G. Small, A. S. MacKusick.

The speaker of the evening was Lieut. Harold L. Connor, aide to the commander of the eastern division of the United States Coast Guard, extending from the Thames river in Connecticut to the Canadian border.

The Boston Retail Druggists' Association has subscribed and sent in \$300 for the A. Ph. A. Headquarters' Building Fund.

#### MINNESOTA PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

The Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association held its forty-second annual meeting in Minneapolis, February 9-11. President Charles D. Johnson, of Brainerd, conducted the business sessions; Prof. Gustav Bachman is the Secretary. Dean F. J. Wulling presided over the scientific sessions. Dr. H. V. Army, Past-President of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, was one of the speakers, his subject being "The Broader Significance of Pharmaceutical Research." Among other speakers and subjects of the regular sessions were, "Legislation," by Secretary Samuel C. Henry of the N. A. R. D.; "Studies on Operation of Retail Drug Stores," Prof. H. J. Ostlund; "Merchandising," Con De Pree; "Window Decoration," L. F. Wood. E. L. Newcomb and Carl Weeks also added to the program by instructive and interesting addresses.

#### THE SCIENTIFIC SECTION AND NORTHWESTERN BRANCH A. PH. A.

Besides the address heretofore mentioned, that by Dr. H. V. Army, the following addresses,

reports, and papers were part of the scientific program:

"The College of Pharmacy (Annual Historical Paper);" "Selecting Recruits for Pharmacy," and "Pharmacy Teacher Training," by Dean Wulling; Brief address by the Head of the School of Pharmacy of North Dakota, Prof. W. F. Sudro; Report of the Committee on Practical Pharmacy, F. A. Upsher Smith; Report of Committee on Drug Plant Culture, G. J. DeMars; Report of the Committee on Association Policy, Dean Wulling; Report of the Committee on Drug Adulteration, Prof. G. Bachman; Report of the Committee on U. S. P. and N. F. Revision, Prof. E. L. Newcomb; Report of the Chairman of the Woman's Section, Miss Elizabeth Malerich; An Historical Talk, Mrs. Joseph Kehrer; Presentation of the M. S. Ph. A. Scholarship Token to Harold Landeen, Prof. G. Bachman; Presentation of the Henry Kraemer Memorial Volume, Dean Wulling; Report of the Historical Committee, Charles T. Heller; Report of Committee on Professional Standards, A. J. Osweiler; Report of Committee on Research, Prof. C. H. Rogers; Report of the Committee on Public Health, H. Martin Johnson; "The Hatcher Newcomb Cat Method of Digitalis Assay," Instructor Earl B. Fischer; "The Comparative Values of Root Bark, Trunk Bark and Branch Bark of Prunus Serotina," Instructor, Earl B. Fischer.

The Mack Printing Company now operates the Corporation formerly known as the Eschenbach Printing Company. The Corporation is about to start the construction of a new and highly modernized printing establishment in Easton; there is no change in ownership or control. The JOURNAL of the ASSOCIATION, and a number of the YEAR BOOKS have been published by this corporation which is printing the JOURNAL and also the NATIONAL FORMULARY V.

The Editorial Office is indebted to Fritzsche Bros. for a convenient and useful desk calendar, and likewise to Merck & Co., for a memorandum calendar, and for a Pompeian calendar to Digestive Ferments Company.

E. R. Squibb & Sons have issued a card list of changes in U. S. P. X, and Smith, Kline & French Co. report the changes, with some detailed information thereto, in a booklet. Receipt of copies are acknowledged.