

# EDITORIAL

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## THE SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE time for the Philadelphia meeting of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION is drawing near; half of the year since last convention has passed; these months have gone by quickly and quietly, even as a flitting, and the next period will pass even more rapidly for winter is slower than spring. This reminds us of work to be done for the 1926 meeting and we are passing on the reminder to Section officers and members of Committees. The programs of the Sections should be submitted for the July JOURNAL and, therefore, copy should be in the office by the 25th of June; it is understood that additions may be made to the program at a later date, but titles of papers to be included in the Official Program should be sent in by August 1; the coöperation of the Chairmen and Section Officers, House of Delegates and other divisions of ASSOCIATION work is earnestly solicited.

The meeting in Philadelphia promises to be a most important one, for it is probable that preliminary steps will be taken to determine the location of the Headquarters. The U. S. Pharmacopœia X became official January 1, and the National Formulary, now nearing completion, will, probably, also be in force, so that papers and discussions relating to these standards will be subjects of interest in the convention proceedings. It may be assumed that the Sesqui-Centennial celebration will bring to Philadelphia men of prominence in pharmacy from other countries and certainly the event will have an influence on the attendance at the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION convention, and also the fact that the annual meeting of the National Association of Retail Druggists will be held during the week following that of the former. September will be a Pharmacy month followed by "Pharmacy Week" in October.

The public should be made better acquainted with the service of pharmacy; many of the activities of pharmacy may be brought to the attention of the laymen in a way that will stimulate a greater interest in the service pharmacists render; not only in a direct way, but to a greater extent by improving the materia medica and otherwise aiding those in the other medical branches so that highest beneficial results may be achieved for the welfare of those served.

Chemistry has been made a popular subject and it has been shown that live pharmaceutical topics attract the public to lectures that deal with source, supply, production and effect of medicines and gives the laymen a helpful understanding.

At the last annual meeting of the National Conference of Pharmaceutical Research a movement was started to prepare for the publication of a book which will acquaint students and the laity with some of the past and present and the possibilities in future activities of pharmacy.

Faculty members of schools of pharmacy have given support to the idea which seems a very timely one and has appealed to retail pharmacists who have been made acquainted with the project and, doubtless, manufacturers and importers can add to the value of such a publication. The suggestion seems to be in line with those

that have been discussed as part of the greater service which the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION can render.

A letter which conveys a message has been sent out by Chairman John C. Krantz, Jr., of the Committee to which the proposition was referred, to members of pharmaceutical faculties, and the responses have been quite general and favorable.

The annual meeting of the Conference of Pharmaceutical Research will meet in Philadelphia at the close of the A. PH. A. convention week. The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy will also hold sessions at that time, and preparation for these events are being made.

It will interest the readers to know that the Life Membership List (credit of thirty-seven years of continuous membership) has been increased by the following:

Albert DeLorenzi, Dallas, Texas; Lewis Flemer, Washington, D. C.; J. Fuller Frames, Baltimore, Md.; Josiah Kirby Lilly, Indianapolis, Ind.; William Mittelbach, Boonville, Mo.; Louis Carl Staudt, Aurora, Ill.; James Walling Westcott, Baltimore, Md.; James Prior Wood, New Haven, Conn.

The ASSOCIATION congratulates these pharmacists and Secretary E. F. Kelly has sent to each of them a certificate of Life Membership, and it is hoped that all of them will enjoy the privileges of full membership for many years to come.

It is a source of gratification to read the letters which have recently been received from contributors to the Headquarters' Fund; not only are the donated amounts welcome, but the spirit evidenced by them heartens all who are doing their very best to bring the great undertaking to realization. The spirit referred to has been in evidence since the very beginning of the movement, all have given cheerfully; it signifies not only a belief in one another but in the mission of pharmacy.

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#### EXPRESSIONS OF FAITH IN THE A. PH. A. HEADQUARTERS.

**T**HE abstracts following are from letters received since the first of this year; many of the communications were accompanied by full payment of the subscriptions and responsive to a letter of the Chairman of the A. PH. A. Headquarters Campaign Committee, Dr. H. A. B. Dunning. The donors evidence the true spirit of giving and coöperation, and we hope will encourage others to contribute according to their ability, or viewpoint, to what is generally considered one of the greatest, if not the greatest, promotion of American Pharmacists. Action will probably be taken relative to the Headquarters at the Philadelphia meeting, in September.

No further comment is required to impress the messages than those conveyed by the subscribers to the Fund, to whom acknowledgment has been made:

"Enclosed we hand you check for \$100.00 to assist in building the Headquarters Building."

"We want to assure you that we hope at a later date to be able to do something to help."

"I am enclosing a check for \$100.00, which I trust will be acceptable."

"Kindly enter our subscription for One Hundred Dollars."

"You may enter our subscription for \$100.00 for the Pharmacy Headquarters Building project."

"We have carefully noted your statements and appreciate your calling our attention to the matter of subscribing to the Building Fund of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. We enclose herewith our subscription card, \$250.00, which we trust will be satisfactory."

"We enclose herewith check for \$500.00, a subscription to the Pharmacy Headquarters Building project. Wishing you every success, we are."

"We enclose herewith our check for \$250.00, subscription to the Pharmacy Headquarters Building. This will be our full subscription, as we prefer to make it in a lump sum rather than in ten semi-annual payments."

"We are today sending Mr. E. F. Kelly, Treasurer, a check for \$500.00 as our contribution, and extend our best wishes for the success of the plan."

"This refers to your recent letter relative to a subscription to the Pharmacy Headquarters Building project. We are very glad to enclose herewith subscription for \$250.00 toward that project."

"Enclosed find a check of one hundred dollars towards the Pharmacy Headquarters Building project. Wishing you success in your noble undertaking."

"I am pleased to enclose herewith our subscription for \$100.00. With every good wish to you for success in your unselfish endeavor to make this dream a reality, I am."

"Please find enclosed our check for \$250.00 which is our contribution to the permanent headquarters building for the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. We think this is a splendid undertaking and that the new headquarters will fill a want that has been greatly felt in the pharmaceutical world. Needless to say we wish you and your associates every success."

"We take pleasure in enclosing our subscription for One Hundred Dollars for the fund for erecting a permanent headquarters for the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. Trusting you will be able to secure the full quota for which you are striving, we are."

"Replying to your letter of January 25, enclosed please find our check for \$200.00 as a subscription to the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION'S Headquarters Building project."

"I am enclosing my check for \$100.00 for the Pharmacy Headquarters Building project. I am a little bit ashamed to send it after waiting so long, and I guess it was your recent letter, addressed to me personally, that aroused me from my inertia, and got the present action from me. I trust that the project will be altogether as successful and beneficial as those who are behind it, and have done so much to put it through, anticipate."

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First Aid Week—March 15–20.