

SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, PORTLAND, ME., AUGUST 20th-25th.

ABSTRACT OF THE MINUTES OF THE GENERAL SESSIONS.

The sessions of the seventy-sixth annual meeting of the A. PH. A. were held in Eastland Hotel, Portland, Me. The list of members in attendance is printed in the September JOURNAL on pages 941-942.

Some of the Committee Reports referred to in the minutes have been printed in the Council minutes, pages 912-935 of the September JOURNAL. Some are included in these minutes and others will be printed in later issues of the JOURNAL.

FIRST GENERAL SESSION.

The First General Session of the seventy-sixth annual meeting of the A. PH. A. was called to order by President C. W. Johnson, at 9:00 A.M., Wednesday, August 22nd. President Johnson called on E. G. Eberle, who presented a letter from the Second Vice-President, Dr. Joseph Jacobs, who was in Scotland as a member of the Executive Committee of the Burns' Federation in Aberdeen, Scotland. The letter reads in part:

"Under separate cover I am sending by insured mail, a gavel, this was intended for my collection of 'Longsiana,' but I take great pleasure in sending to the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. The gavel was made from the newel post in Dr. Long's first home place in Athens, and its presentation affords me a most peculiar pleasure, for many of the members of the ASSOCIATION are aware that Dr. Long was my tutor and friend in my boyhood, the memory of whose kindness ever warmly glows in my breast."

In compliance with Mr. Jacob's wishes the gavel was presented to the ASSOCIATION.

Dr. Jacob Diner spoke of the significance of the gift which had been presented, calling attention to its association with one of the greatest advances made toward the relief of human suffering and moved that the ASSOCIATION accept the gavel with an expression of sincere appreciation to the donor. The motion was seconded by Otto Raubenheimer and carried by a unanimous vote. President Johnson, with well chosen words, received the gavel in the name of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

President Johnson invited the Past-Presidents of the ASSOCIATION, who were present at the meeting, to seats on the platform. In the order of their seniority they are: J. U. Lloyd, H. H. Rusby, E. G. Eberle, John G. Godding, William B. Day, F. J. Wulling, A. R. L. Dohrne, C. H. LaWall, C. H. Packard, S. L. Hilton, J. A. Koch, H. V. Arny, C. W. Holton, L. L. Walton, T. J. Bradley; also President-Elect Jones and Past Honorary President, W. L. DuBois.

Telegrams of greeting and good wishes for the success of the meeting were read from the National Wholesale Druggists' Association, President Sewall Cutler, and from the American Fair Trade Association, Secretary-Treasurer, Edmond A. Whittier. A letter from First Vice-President Elect, A. W. Pauley addressed to Secretary Kelly was read. It follows:

I want you and President Johnson and my many other good friends to know that I will miss their good hand-shakes and pleasant words and their association next week, as I find it impossible, owing to many diversified reasons, to be present.

The ASSOCIATION work is very fascinating and the accomplishments of the ASSOCIATION that are felt in all sections of the country are deserving of the support of every member, and I hesitate not to be among those who will help in the deliberation of the many problems that are before the nation, as well as the ASSOCIATION, at the present time.

Will you kindly express my regrets to the members of the A. PH. A., the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy and to the other associations as well.

Trusting you and my many friends will have a very good time as well as having a profitable meeting, I am with best regards to all,

Cordially yours, ALF. W. PAULEY.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

July 31, 1927 to July 31, 1928.

In submitting my third annual report, I wish to again express to the members and officers of the ASSOCIATION and to the office assistants my sincere appreciation of their support, which has contributed largely to whatever results have been accomplished, and for their uniform courtesy which has made the duties of the office pleasant to carry out. In this report, an attempt will be made to briefly review the more important matters which have been given attention since the last annual meeting.

Resolutions Adopted at the 1927 Meeting.—Every effort has been made to put those resolutions into effect and the results are encouraging although they are short of being satisfactory. Practically all of the resolutions will be referred to, directly or indirectly in the reports of officers or committees and only one requires particular reference here as it called for the appointment of special committees. It had reference to Partial Formula Disclosure Legislation, and as members of this committee President Johnson appointed Messrs. F. H. Freericks, J. H. Beal and E. F. Kemp and their report will be submitted to the House of Delegates.

Program of the Meeting.—At the 1927 annual meeting, the Council directed the appointment of a special committee consisting of the Chairman and Secretary of the Council and one other member to work in coöperation with the secretaries of the organizations which meet at the same time and place with the A. PH. A. what might be termed a standard program. Former President Bradley was the third member of the committee.

The members of the committee hope that the program of this meeting will be more satisfactory to those attending and suggestions for the further improvement of it are invited. The volume of work to be completed during the five available days of the meeting has grown to such an extent as to greatly limit the entertainment program and to require for its completion a rather rigid adherence to the program. The principal changes made this year were to provide two full periods of three hours each for the five sections which makes it necessary for only three sections to meet simultaneously and to provide time for two sessions of the Conference of Pharmaceutical Association Secretaries which will hold its first annual meeting at this time.

Coöperation of Pharmaceutical Fraternities.—Attention should be called to the interest which two of those bodies have taken in our meeting this year.

The Annual Council of the Kappa Psi Fraternity was held at the Eastland Hotel on August 17th and 18th and the Phi Delta Chi Fraternity will hold an annual dinner on August 22nd at this hotel. These arrangements bring their members into closer touch with the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and it is hoped that they will become permanent features of our meetings.

Standards for Clinical Thermometers.—The ASSOCIATION was invited to coöperate with the Bureau of Standards in this very important effort and gave the Bureau all the assistance that was possible. As publicity has already been given the results, no further comment is required.

Year Book of Standards.—At the invitation of the Bureau of Standards, an outline of the standardization activities of the ASSOCIATION was submitted and was included in the publication entitled "Standards Yearbook" and which reviews the work done in this country in establishing standards.

Simplification of Standard Glass Containers.—The ASSOCIATION has been represented at a preliminary conference and at a subsequent meeting called by the Division of Simplified Practice, Bureau of Standards of the Department of Commerce, and at which the possibility of simplifying standard containers of this type was discussed. As the result, a Committee on Simplification was authorized, to consist of one representative from each organization represented and on which each National pharmaceutical organization interested will be represented. This committee is to determine the work to be undertaken—and the methods to be employed.

Personnel Classification in the Government Service.—It will be recalled that when the Government first undertook the classification of employees, Pharmacy was classed in the Sub-Professional Group and this classification still exists. Recently, the Chairman of the Council and the Secretary took up this question with the proper official in Washington with the request that Pharmacy be classed as a Profession. We were requested to collect and submit data bearing on educational requirements and regulations governing the registration of pharmacists in civil

life. This information is now being collected and will be submitted in September, and every effort made to have the present classification changed as it reflects unfavorably on the profession.

Pharmacists in the Government Service.—The Editor and the Secretary have been called on during the past year to give quite a little time to various efforts in behalf of pharmacists in this Service. Their position is evidently not what it should be in their interest and that of the profession as a whole. The Report of the Committee on the Status of Pharmacists in the Government Service will review what has been done and will very likely contain some recommendations. In addition, other proposals will probably be submitted.

This brief reference is included in this report for the purpose of emphasizing the importance of giving this matter careful study with the whole filed in view and of mapping out a program covering every branch of the service toward the enactment of which the ASSOCIATION should then give the fullest support in cooperation with other pharmaceutical organizations. Satisfactory results can scarcely be expected from sporadic efforts and the present situation requires careful study.

National Formulary, Fifth Edition.—Two series of this book have been printed and bound. Series A consisted of 20,061 copies and Series B of 10,023 copies, a total of 30,084. On June 1 1928, this stock was so nearly exhausted as to require the printing and binding of Series C of approximately 5000 copies, 2500 of which have already been delivered to the J. B. Lippincott Company, the distributors. The demand for the fifth edition so far represents a very satisfactory increase over that for the fourth edition.

One-half the net profits from the National Formulary are transferred annually to the Research Fund. This fund amounted to \$43,847.14 on July 31, 1928.

Recipe Book, First Edition.—It was found advisable to hold a meeting of the Sub-Committee on Scope of the Recipe Book Committee in February last to review the galley proofs for the purpose of making such corrections, additions or deletions as were necessary. This delayed the issuance of the book somewhat but the page proofs are now about completed.

Year Book, Volume 15.—The contract for this publication, covering the calendar year 1926, was awarded to the Lord Baltimore Press and the book will be ready for delivery this fall. In accordance with the procedure followed with Volumes 13 and 14, a return postal has been sent to each member, with the request that those desiring a copy so indicate on the card and return it. More than two thousand cards have been received and the members who desire a copy and have not returned their cards are urged to do so promptly in order that there will be no delay when the book is completed.

Collective Index of Proceedings and Year Books for the Period 1903-1925.—The compilation of this index is being done this summer in the Secretary's office, as the Committee on Publications will report, and it is hoped to issue this publication early in 1929. It will be sold at \$5.00 per volume and a return card was sent to each member in May with the request that those who desired a copy please sign and return the card. The response so far is satisfactory but in this case the request is also made that those who desire a copy and have not returned their cards, sign and mail them promptly.

Membership.—The number of members suspended for the non-payment of dues at the close of the year 1927, was smaller than for many years and efforts are being made to bring about the same result at the close of 1928. Statements for dues have been sent out each month beginning with February and only about 700 owed dues for 1928 on July 31st. Since the last annual meeting 363 members have been elected through the payment of dues, and 725 on account of subscriptions to the Headquarters Building Fund. This total, although not as large as was hoped for, is practically as large as has been added in any recent year.

The efforts made to secure these new members will be explained in the report of the Committee on Membership.

After deduction of losses through death, resignation and suspension, the membership was approximately 5200 on July 31st of which 163 are Life Members and 9 Honorary Members.

Mention should be made of the fact that twelve members became Life Members during this year through the payment of dues for thirty-seven consecutive years, as provided for in the By-Laws.

American Conference on Hospital Service.—In accordance with the action taken at the last annual meeting, the ASSOCIATION applied for membership in this Conference and was elected

to membership at the annual meeting in February last. The Conference, through its President, Dr. Mock, has submitted a report on the future activities which the Conference proposes to carry out, which report has been submitted to the Council. It is hoped that this connection will give this ASSOCIATION an opportunity to make a complete study of the conditions surrounding the preparation and dispensing of medicines in the hospitals of this country and to coöperate in improving this branch of hospital service.

Representation at State and National Association Meetings.—During the past year, the ASSOCIATION has been represented by members, officers and members of the Council at a larger number of these meetings than has heretofore been possible. At each of these meetings, our delegates were cordially received and there was evidence of increased interest in the present activities of our ASSOCIATION and especially in the early completion of the Headquarters Building.

Unfortunately, the Chairman of the House of Delegates could not carry out the arrangements made for him to visit a number of state association meetings for which purpose Dr. Beal made a contribution last year and the Council an appropriation, as reported in the Council letters. It is hoped that these arrangements can be continued during the coming year.

The Secretary attended the annual meetings of seven state associations in the western section of the country and desires to record his appreciation of the many courtesies extended to him on this trip and of the arrangements which made the visit possible.

Headquarters Building Campaign.—The Secretary's office had been called on to give considerable time to the campaign during the year and especially in connection with the selection and purchase of the site for the Building. The report of the Chairman of the Campaign Committee will furnish details of the progress made during the year toward the completion of this great undertaking.

Receipts of the Secretary's Office.—Attached are detailed financial statements of the receipts from January 1 to July 31, 1928 from Dues, the JOURNAL, the National Formulary, Bulletins, PROCEEDINGS, YEAR BOOKS, Badges and Bars, Buttons and Pins and Miscellaneous Items and of remittances to the Treasurer. These reports also give detailed information in reference to the printing, binding and sale of the National Formulary.

The Secretary's annual report for the calendar year 1927 was submitted with that of the Treasurer, and audited as provided for in the By-Laws.

Respectfully submitted, E. F. KELLY, *Secretary.*

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND REMITTANCES, SECRETARY'S OFFICE, JANUARY 1 TO JULY 31, 1928.

Receipts by Secretary.

Balance on hand January 1, 1928.....		\$ 2,293.62
Dues:		
Membership only, 1928.....	\$ 116.00	
Membership and JOURNAL, 1926.....	5.00	
Membership and JOURNAL, 1927.....	145.00	
Membership and JOURNAL, 1928.....	8036.43	
Membership and JOURNAL, 1929.....	387.00	\$8689.43
JOURNAL.....		\$5967.06
National Formulary.....		6901.75
YEAR BOOKS.....		250.89
Badges and Bars.....		3.00
Buttons and Pins.....		1.00
Interest on Deposit.....		53.44
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Total Balance and Receipts.....		\$24,160.19

Remittances to Treasurer.

Jan. 18, 1928, Check No. 47.....	\$3212.09
Feb. 16, 1928, Check No. 48.....	2645.58
Mar. 13, 1928, Check No. 49.....	2416.62
Mar. 30, 1928, Check No. 50.....	4559.44

Apr. 20, 1928, Check No. 51.....	2402.40	
May 29, 1928, Check No. 52.....	2095.41	
July 31, 1928, Check No. 53.....	6210.22	23,541.76
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Balance on deposit Baltimore Trust Co.....		\$ 618.43

NATIONAL FORMULARY.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS ON ACCOUNT N. F. V, JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1927.

Receipts.

Sales for quarter ending March 1, 1927.....	\$3520.80	
Use of text to March 1, 1927.....	5.00	
Sales for quarter ending June 1, 1927.....	3681.60	
Use of text to June 1, 1927.....	20.00	
Sales for quarter ending September 1, 1927.....	3900.00	
Use of text to September 1, 1927.....	5.00	
Sales for quarter ending December 1, 1927.....	6323.35	
Use of text to December 1, 1927.....	5.00	\$17,460.75

Disbursements.

L. A. Engel & Co.—Coupon Labels.....	\$ 4.25	
Henry McKeen & Son—Insurance.....	12.50	
C. H. Waller—Certificates.....	75.00	
Western Union Telegraph Co.—Telegram.....	.96	
J. B. Lippincott Co.—Freight.....	37.40	
Mack Printing Co.—Publication.....	7088.18	
Edmund B. Fladung—Framing Certificates.....	39.12	
J. B. Lippincott Co.—Leather Bound Copy N. F. V.....	4.91	
W. L. Scoville—Honorarium.....	1000.00	
Mack Printing Co.—Publication.....	103.15	
National Conference on Pharmaceutical Research—Membership..	20.00	
Chemical Catalog Co., Inc.—Buckram Bound Copy N. F. V.....	3.91	\$ 8389.38

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS ON ACCOUNT N. F. V, JANUARY 1 TO JULY 31, 1928.

Receipts.

Sales quarter ending March 1, 1928.....	\$4295.75	
Sales quarter ending June 1, 1928.....	2556.00	\$ 6851.75

Disbursements.

Mack Printing Co.—Publication.....	\$ 9.50	
L. A. Engel & Co.—Coupon Labels.....	4.25	\$ 13.75

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF N. F. V.

Receipts.

1926.....	\$45,318.21	
1927.....	17,460.75	
1928 (to July 31).....	6,851.75	
Total Receipts.....		\$69,630.71

Disbursements.

1919-1920.....	\$1,033.89	
1921.....	1,169.98	
1922.....	404.21	

1923.....	227.72
1924.....	95.59
1925.....	236.30
1926.....	20,857.09
1927.....	8,389.38
1928 (to July 31).....	13.75
Total Disbursements.....	\$32,427.91

SUMMARY OF SALES OF N. F. V—JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1927.

Quarter ending March 1, 1927:			
	Copies.	Price.	Amount.
Buckram Bound.....	1461	\$2.40	\$3506.40
Interleaved Leather.....	3	4.80	14.40
Received by Secretary.....			\$ 3,520.80
Quarter ending June 1, 1927:			
Buckram Bound.....	1535	\$2.40	\$3684.00
Interleaved Leather.....	2	4.80	9.60
			\$3693.60
Less allowance for freight.....			12.00
Received by Secretary.....			\$ 3,681.60
Quarter ending September 1, 1927:			
Buckram Bound.....	1623	\$2.40	\$3895.20
Interleaved Leather.....	1	4.80	4.80
Received by Secretary.....			\$ 3,900.00
Quarter ending December 1, 1927:			
Buckram Bound.....	2630	\$2.40	\$6312.00
Interleaved Leather.....	1	4.80	4.80
			\$6316.80
Sales by the Secretary.....			6.55
Received by the Secretary.....			\$ 6,323.35
Total Sales for 1927.....			\$17,425.75

SUMMARY OF SALES OF N. F. V—JANUARY 1 TO JULY 31, 1928.

Quarter ending March 1, 1928:			
	Copies.	Price.	Amount.
Buckram Bound.....	1789	\$2.40	\$4293.60
Interleaved Leather.....	1	4.80	4.80
			\$4298.40
Less allowance for 1 complimentary copy buckram bound, and postage.....			2.65
Received by the Secretary.....			\$ 4,295.75
Quarter ending June 1, 1928:			
Buckram Bound.....	1063	\$2.40	\$2551.20
Interleaved Leather.....	1	4.80	4.80
Received by Secretary.....			\$ 2,556.00
Total Sales to June 1, 1928.....			\$ 6,851.75

SUMMARY OF COPIES OF N. F. V—PRINTED AND BOUND—TO JULY 31, 1928.

Series.	Buckram.	Interleaved.	Total.
A.....	19,561	500	20,061
B.....	10,023	...	10,023
	29,584	500	30,084

Series C, of 5000 copies, buckram bound, is in process and will be delivered about August 10, 1928.

SUMMARY OF COPIES OF N. F. V—DISTRIBUTED COMPLIMENTARY, SOLD AND HELD IN STOCK BY J. B. LIPPINCOTT COMPANY TO JUNE 1, 1928.

	Buckram.	Interleaved.	Total.
Copies used in copyrighting and for complimentary distribution through the Mack Printing Co.....	33	12	45
Copies distributed complimentary through the Chemical Catalog Co.....	32	...	32
Copies sold by the Chemical Catalog Co.....	18,021	107	18,128
Copies distributed complimentary through J. B. Lippincott Co.....	10	...	10
Copies sold by J. B. Lippincott Co.....	10,101	9	10,110
Copies held in stock by J. B. Lippincott Co.....	1,387	372	1,759
	29,584	500	30,084

ACCOUNT OF YEAR BOOKS, PROCEEDINGS, BULLETINS.

1. Sales:		2. Expenses:	
1927.....	\$ 89.60	1927 (including Vol. 14)....	\$4416.58
1928 (to July 31).....	250.89	1928 (to July 31).....	983.99
Total.....	\$340.49	Total.....	\$5400.57

ACCOUNT OF BADGES AND BARS, JANUARY 1 TO JULY 31, 1928.

1. Sales (one 1927 bar).....	\$3.00	2. Expenses (ten 1927 bars)....	\$30.00
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ACCOUNT OF BUTTONS AND PINS, JANUARY 1 TO JULY 31, 1928.

1. Sales.....	\$1.00	2. Expenses.....
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On motion duly seconded the report of the Secretary was accepted. President Johnson then called for the report of the Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, C. W. HOLTON, TREASURER, JANUARY 1 TO JULY 31, 1928.

PROPERTY AND FUNDS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Current:	July 31, 1927.	July 31, 1928.
Savings and Checking Accounts.....	\$ 14,766.05	\$ 8,974.08
Secretary's Account, Baltimore Trust Co.....	538.19	618.43
	\$ 15,304.24	\$ 9,592.51
<i>Permanent:</i>		
Endowment.....	\$ 11,778.64	\$ 12,254.25
Centennial.....	4,591.62	4,756.85
Ebert Legacy.....	6,687.22	6,953.68
Ebert Prize.....	1,165.40	1,159.54

Life Membership.....	34,015.68	35,541.12
Research.....	30,576.10	43,847.14
Headquarters Building, Bonds and Cash.....	250,648.24	210,229.18
Headquarters Building, Property.....		92,853.33
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	\$339,462.90	\$407,595.09
<i>Trust:</i>		
Procter Monument.....	\$ 13,433.85	\$ 14,005.51
Remington Honor Medal.....	1,305.17	1,317.90
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	\$ 14,739.02	\$ 15,323.41
<i>Summary:</i>		
Assets.....	\$354,767.14	\$417,187.60
Held in Trust.....	14,739.02	15,323.41
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	\$369,506.16	\$432,511.01
Net increase July 31, 1927 to July 31, 1928.....		\$ 63,004.85
<i>Securities held for the Association and for the Trust Funds:</i>		
Massachusetts State 3% Bonds.....	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
St. Louis City 4% Bonds.....	12,000.00	12,000.00
U. S. Liberty 4 ¹ / ₄ % Bonds.....	60,500.00	45,500.00
Certificates of Deposit 4% Drovers & Mechanics National Bank	230,000.00	
Baltimore City 4% Bonds.....		40,000.00
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	\$316,500.00	\$111,500.00

The remainder of all funds, amounting to \$228,157.68, is on deposit with the following depositories, which have been approved by the Council, and at the rates of interest specified:

Boston Penny Savings Bank Savings Account, Boston, Mass., 4 ¹ / ₂ % compounded semi-annually.....	\$	372.42
Merchants & Newark Trust Co. Checking Account, Newark, N. J., 3% compounded monthly.....		8,661.98
Baltimore Trust Co. Checking Account, Baltimore, Md., 2 ¹ / ₂ % compounded monthly.....		24,669.65
Drovers & Mechanics National Bank Savings Account, Baltimore, Md., 4% compounded monthly.....		194,453.63

The property listed above represents the actual cost of the site recently purchased in Washington, D. C., for the Headquarters Building, including recording, insurance of title and other incidental charges. Record should be made of the fact that the original deposit on the site, amounting to \$5000.00, was paid by Dr. H. A. B. Dunning personally and credited to his subscription, and therefore this amount does not appear in the bank deposits of the Headquarters Building Fund, although it is included in the total of collections for the fund.

Since the last report was submitted, the certificates of deposit issued by the Drovers and Mechanics National Bank have been cancelled and the corresponding amount is carried in the savings account in that bank at the same rate of interest.

Liberty Loan Bonds of the third issue were called for payment on October 15, 1927. We were able to exchange the \$15,000 of these bonds held by the ASSOCIATION at 100 ²/₃₂ and accrued interest for City of Baltimore 4% Bonds at 99¹/₂ and accrued interest without buying or selling charge:

The Headquarters Building Fund continues to increase at a very satisfactory rate. The total of subscriptions on July 31, 1928 was \$710,730.88 and the total of collections, including the \$5000 deposit toward the purchase of the site made by Dr. H. A. B. Dunning which was credited to his subscription, was \$303,082.51. The increase in subscriptions since the last report, a period of twelve months, was \$110,537.50 and in collections of \$52,434.27. The Chairman of the Campaign Committee will give further details in his annual report.

The campaign has cost in total \$46,608.85 of which amount \$13,023.94 was spent in 1924, \$11,944.05 in 1925, \$10,007.06 in 1926, \$9297.31 in 1927, and \$1396.49 to July 31, 1928. From this is to be deducted the interest received from the fund of \$1164.91 in 1924, \$4932.31 in 1925, \$7587.42 in 1926, \$9470.44 in 1927 and \$4495.11 to July 31, 1928, a total of \$27,650.19, leaving an actual cost of \$18,018.66. From this should be deducted the special contribution of \$1000.00 by the Armand Company, making the net cost \$17,018.66. It therefore cost 2.38% to obtain subscriptions of \$710,730.66 and 5.62% to collect \$303,052.51. The net cost of the campaign has been paid from the current funds of the ASSOCIATION and all collections have been used for the purchase of the site or are on deposit, as shown by this report.

The Secretary's report will show receipts from Dues, the JOURNAL, the NATIONAL FORMULARY, YEAR BOOKS, PROCEEDINGS, Bulletins, Badges and Bars, Buttons and Pins and Miscellaneous Items, which are collected by him and deposited in the Secretary's account in the Baltimore Trust Company. These receipts are transferred by check, accompanied by itemized deposit slips, to the ASSOCIATION's checking account in the Merchants and Newark Trust Company from which all budget expenses are paid.

The annual report of the Treasurer for the calendar year 1927 was audited and approved by W. Albert Johnson & Co.—the auditors approved by the Council. A summary of this report appears in the JOURNAL for March 1928, pages 304-307, and it will be published in full in the next YEAR BOOK.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. HOLTON, *Treasurer.*

President Johnson stated that the fiscal year of the ASSOCIATION dates from January 1st to December 31st, that the report of the Treasurer is made at the end of the year and audit is provided by the By-Laws. The report made at this time is for the information of the members. Upon motion duly seconded the report of the Treasurer was accepted.

REPORT OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL SESSION.

The report of the House of Delegates was read by Chairman Seltzer and on motion by Otto Raubenheimer, seconded by R. L. Swain, and a vote, was received for publication. (It is printed as the minutes of the first session of the House of Delegates.)

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT.

Vice-President Ambrose Hunsberger, took the chair while President Johnson delivered his presidential address (see pages 869-879, September JOURNAL). At the conclusion of the reading of the address, Vice-President Hunsberger stated that the address would automatically be referred to the Committee on Resolutions for consideration and report. (For action on the President's recommendations see pages 931-935, September JOURNAL and separate action taken on his recommendations as presented in the Minutes of the House of Delegates and General Sessions.)

President Johnson resumed the chair. He remarked that the oldest living Ex-President of the ASSOCIATION, J. U. Lloyd, was present and asked for a word from him. The members rose and greeted him. He said in part:

"It doesn't seem very long since I passed through this town, in 1892, that great occasion when the Boston people took charge of our ASSOCIATION. It doesn't seem long, I said. It is very easy to look backward but almost impossible to look forward one minute. Don't you know that life is made up of sunshine and shadow; that we make the shadows bright if we think aright; that there is scarcely a darkness that hasn't some ray of light in it and that light is as we make it; there may be a depression, but if we think correctly and contrast what we have (the worries that annoy us) with others which are so much worse, there is no cause for us to despond.

"Back to the story I started to tell you—we came to Boston full of enthusiasm and on to the Profile House where we held our meeting. Everything was bright, there was not a shadow, and then there came upon us as a blow—Professor P. W. Bedford was stricken last night. Professor Bedford has gone. A shadow came over us. It was a great sorrow that struck us. But did we give in to that sorrow—did we give way? No. We went on. We came to this city and returned to that great New England city with the thought, in my mind at least, of that genial face of Professor Bedford, with the reflection that it was so much better to have gone as he did than to

have lingered longer, as some of us are compelled to do. I say 'compelled to do,' because it seems to me as I look back that the time has been when it would have been better could I have gone, better for me, especially. I say to you young people here—there may be one or two older than I am; one or two, perhaps, who have passed eighty—I say to you, life is as you make it. Be hopeful. Be contented with what you have. Make the best of it and give as you can to make others contented and happy. That is the ideal of life, do what you can for others and don't be for one moment discouraged if you cannot do as great things as others do.

"I went down to Kentucky some years ago to attend the funeral of an old friend. It was at a modest home, but the old friend was well known and much loved. I sat where I could see the people as they came in, faces that I remembered as a boy. There were flowers everywhere; the room in that modest home was decorated with flowers; there were bouquets that must have cost considerable money. As I sat there I saw coming up the walk and into the door, an old lady. As she came in the door those about moved to one side; she came forward, poorly dressed—it was winter time and she wore a very thin shawl. She held in her hand just three flowers. It was approaching spring time and she had three jonquils. She walked up and laid those flowers on the casket, and then she turned and sat down. May I ask you, as you go through life—did any of that assembly—think it over—did any of them give a greater testimonial than this old lady who from her own dooryard picked the three blossoms to put on the casket of her old friend? Think it over. It is not the amount we give, but the spirit of sacrifice that counts."

President Johnson thanked Dr. Lloyd on behalf of the members and said that he had been an inspiration by his activities and work in pharmacy these many years and expressed the hope that he would attend many more annual meetings.

President Johnson inquired whether there was any new business to be brought before the ASSOCIATION.

Secretary Kelly stated that he had received a communication bearing on a subject discussed by the President and moved that it, therefore, be referred to the Committee on Resolutions. It was so ordered.

Samuel L. Hilton remarked that last year at the meeting in St. Louis, the ASSOCIATION was honored by the presence of Dr. R. J. Stanbury and Dean Burbidge; the members were pleased to have those gentlemen in attendance. It was their intention to be here at this meeting; however, earlier in the year a fire destroyed, or partially destroyed, the hotel of the city in which the Canadian Association was to meet, which necessitated a change in the time and place of meeting. The Association is now in session in the city of Toronto and that is the reason they are not at this meeting. It would evidence the fraternal and professional spirit if the greetings of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION were sent to the Secretary and to the Canadian Pharmaceutical Association and wishes extended for a successful meeting. He moved that the Secretary be instructed to send the greetings of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION to the gentlemen named and also to the Canadian Pharmaceutical Association.

Frederick J. Wulling, in seconding the motion, said that it is not only good policy but great wisdom to cultivate friendship with these Canadian friends. He had the honor to be a guest three years ago and found a spirit which should be emulated. He pointed out that Canadian pharmacists are confronted with many problems in which American pharmacists are interested and they are administering upon them in a very efficient and interesting way. They have the professional idea, the service idea first in mind and they are continually strengthening that. He considered it a splendid idea to carry out the intention of the motion.

H. H. Rusby said that one reason why the Canadian Association succeeds so well is that every licensed pharmacist must be a member of that body.

Theodore J. Bradley hoped it will be remembered that the A. PH. A. has voted to meet in Canada in 1932.

The motion to send greetings prevailed.

The following communication was read by former President, William B. Day, and member of the Chicago Veteran Druggists' Association.—Round Table, Elks Club, August 16, 1928.

AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION:

The father of all Veteran Druggists' Associations—the Chicago Veteran Druggists' Associations—takes great pleasure in sending its congratulations and best wishes to the father of all pharmaceutical associations in this country—the AMERI-

CAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. The C. V. D. A. congratulates the A. PH. A. on its more than three quarters of a century of progress and of accomplishment. It knows that the deliberations of the members of the older organization at its present convention will make for further progress and further accomplishment along the lines of American Pharmacy's highest ideals.

Incidentally the C. V. D. A. calls attention to the unfortunate fact that many of the cities from which many members in attendance at the convention come, do not have, but should have, Veteran Druggists' Associations.

The foregoing message was signed by the Honorary President, President and Permanent Secretary of the C. V. D. A. Motion of S. L. Hilton, seconded by A. R. L. Dohme, carried, instructing the Secretary to acknowledge the receipt of the cordial message and express the thanks of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION for the good wishes expressed therein.

There being no further business the First General Session was then adjourned.

SECOND GENERAL SESSION.

The second General Session of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION was convened by President Johnson at 2:00 P.M., August 23rd. He called on Dr. Jacob Diner, who said in part:

"*Mr. President and Fellow Members of the Association, Ladies and Gentlemen.*—The object of meetings of this kind generally is primarily, for the purpose of increasing the benefits of the ASSOCIATION, and in the case of an association such as ours, to elevate the profession in which we are making our living, and in which we are to serve the public. Incidentally, however, we meet new friends and old ones, whom we are glad to see again, and we are fortunate in being able to have you meet here a man, outstanding in his profession, beloved by every pharmacist in the United States, because they all know of him if they do not know him. Particularly beloved by the people of the State of New York, and we have had the privilege of associating with him until this very year and it happens that this is his *nintieth* birthday and the *fiftieth* attendance at the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. We, of New York, feel this is a special occasion, an opportunity to congratulate ourselves and the young man to whom I refer here. He is not only the father of pharmacy in New York but we look upon him as the father of pharmacy in the United States. We feel that we have been better men because we know him and we certainly hope that we will have the privilege of seeing him at many more of our meetings. We all have habits, good or bad, and we know you have, Mr. DuBois, and we want you to continue your smoking habit (presenting box of cigars).

"Utility is a very fine asset, but there must also be decoration, and so the ladies of the State of New York have asked me to present to you this little token of their appreciation—and I believe there will be no jealousy—and of their love for you, and also their greetings and best wishes to you (presenting basket of flowers)."

The members voiced their hearty approval.

Mr. DuBois said it was rather embarrassing for him to stand up here before his friends, but he certainly felt very much honored. He didn't expect the gifts but was very grateful to all of his friends for this way of showing their love and respect for him.

President Johnson said that all the members joined with those from the State of New York in what Mr. Diner had so nicely expressed.

The minutes of the First General Session were read by Secretary Kelly, on motion duly seconded, they were approved.

President Johnson called for the reading of communications.

Secretary Kelly stated that in accordance with instructions given him he sent a telegram to Professor Burbidge and had received a reply which reads:

"Thank you for kind message. Will always have most pleasant recollections of St. Louis meeting and hope to again meet you and other AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL friends at first opportunity. Am looking forward especially to nineteen thirty-two meeting."

President Johnson called for the report of the House of Delegates. It was read by Chairman Seltzer (see the Minutes of the second session House of Delegates in this issue).

Upon motion by C. P. Wimmer, seconded by Otto Raubenheimer, it was voted to accept the report as read.

CHAIRMAN DUNNING'S REPORT.

President Johnson stated that the next three reports are from the *Building Campaign Committee*, the *Building Site Committee* and the *Building Plans Committee*; we will now hear from Dr. Dunning who is Chairman of all three committees. He said in part:

"*Mr. President and Members of the American Pharmaceutical Association*: I am not prepared this year to give any extensive reports for any of these three committees that have been mentioned. At former meetings I have made very exhaustive reports of our operations in relation to the work of these various committees. But although I am not going to give you any report in detail in respect to this work, it seems to me necessary that I should attempt to give you a brief synopsis of what we have done and are doing.

"Now in regard to the first committee's work—the *Headquarters Building Campaign Committee*—the greater part of its work was done some two years ago, it has continued, is being continued and will be continued as long as there is any hope of obtaining further additions to the funds which we require and should have. We require one million dollars if we can get it. We started out, as you will remember, with the idea that perhaps \$250,000 would be enough but we were quick to learn that if we wanted to accomplish anything worth the effort \$500,000 would be necessary, and then to make it a real success—not merely jumping up the amount because we thought we might get it, but when we looked more carefully into the requirements of this great project, it was perfectly clear that to make it a complete success, a million dollars would be required.

"We have done very well with the aid of some thousand workers, many of whom worked very earnestly and effectively. We had a great organization perhaps 6000, at one time, and every state had a chairman and in the beginning some of the states accomplished very little, but before they had finished, every state, without exception, accomplished something and many of them a very great deal. In the aggregate, our fund has been promised about \$700,000. A couple hundred thousand of dollars were promised by students and we do not expect to get the same proportion of returns from them as we do from the other subscribers—the retail druggists, manufacturers and others. We have obtained already in cash approximately \$300,000; \$92,000 of which has been spent for the site which I will speak of later, and the rest is in banks. Now that is approximately forty per cent of all that has been promised and there are yet two years or more, in some instances, to go before those promises are expected to be met. It is perfectly evident that we will obtain through the promises we already have, approximately a half million dollars. The foregoing will cover a summary of the work of the *Building Campaign Committee*. If anyone should want to ask any questions in regard to that work, I shall be only too glad to answer.

"In regard to the *Building Site Committee*: Your ASSOCIATION, without any exaggeration, has the finest site in this country for the establishment of the Pharmacy Headquarters Building. The site is located exactly opposite the Lincoln Memorial in Washington. It is just a turn, or a block away from the new Memorial Bridge. It is fronted by parks, and backed by the Lincoln Memorial, and is on one of the finest—what will be one of the finest boulevards in all the world. We own it. The AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION owns it, has bought and paid for it. And we bought it, I might say, at a ridiculously low price. On account of some little hitch, for a time, I owned the site myself and I gave it up reluctantly, as a business man would give up reluctantly any good profitable investment opportunity. I am not very serious about that, but I would have been glad to keep it if the A. PH. A. had not wanted it.

"I believe if we wanted to hold the site for some five or ten years we could get four times as much as we paid for it. I would be glad to risk it and think any man would, if he realized how valuable it is.

"Now, furthermore, we have gone about the undertaking in the right way. I say 'we'—meaning the members of the *Building Site Committee*—the members of which are known to you. We went about it right and we have kept in touch with the Fine Arts Commission in Washington and made a good impression on them and have had their help and coöperation. They know what we are trying to do and they are in accord with us in every way. They are planning to coöperate with us in some very special, helpful ways and they are glad to do so. Just recently there has been a development which is very encouraging to us and promises a great advantage—a very wealthy organization on the order of the Rockefeller Foundation is very anxious to get our property, or

at least to get part of it. We assured them that no reasonable amount of money could purchase our location. But they are negotiating or coöperating with us now in trying to develop the whole plot of land, about a city block, and they expect to put on their part of it a large and fine building. I do not expect that it will be finer than ours, because it is the desire of the *Building Plans Committee* to put as fine a building on this site as can be designed by the highest class architect in consideration of the money we have; so I think our property will be as fine as any of the others, but perhaps not as large. In the event that this, their project goes through, we will have right in a line there, facing on the boulevard, the National Academy of Sciences, the institution just discussed and then ours, and all of them fitting into the environment, and I hear rumors there may be something done across the street. In any event, the Fine Arts Commission in Washington will see that nothing is done that does not reflect credit on the site, the Capitol and the boulevard surrounding our site. So much for the *Campaign Committee* and the *Building Site Committee*.

"Now then, the *Headquarters Building Plans Committee*: It is our intention, the members of the Committee, to recommend to the Council almost immediate action in regard to constructing the building. There is no reason why we should not go forward with it. We have the site paid for and have prospects of various kinds that will permit us to operate the building on a limited scale. Of course what we are hoping for now is that there will be larger donations from some of the big interests in our kind of work when they realize that this is not just another project for getting money to start something that will never be a success. This project is a success, a real success, from every viewpoint.

"I did not mention that the first of this year we had the opportunity to buy this site. It cost \$92,500 and the people, the members of our various committees did not feel we should spend so much for the property out of the funds that we had, and therefore we appealed to ten or twelve men to donate large amounts to purchase the site. Six of them responded with \$10,000 each and they paid it in cash and that enabled us to buy this site. I would like to impress upon you this fact that there have been six real substantial subscriptions of \$10,000 in cash simply for the site of this building. I might mention also that there has been in the aggregate subscriptions of one large firm of \$35,000. I think all of it has been paid. Another firm \$20,000, all of which has been paid and there are several subscriptions for \$10,000 all of which, I think have been paid.

"Now, just a few more words in regard to the *Building Plans Committee*: We feel, and we have been in conference about the matter, that a good time to put up this building would be in the spring of 1930. We will get all our plans ready, will employ our architects in the fall of 1929 and we will get our plans by September or October, and then submit those plans to contractors when they are hungering for work. I have had two or three experiences and as architects and contractors will tell you, you can build cheaper in the winter than at any other time, and, therefore, we will get our estimates when the contractors want to keep their forces together and keep up their overhead and will start building as soon as the weather breaks in February of 1930 and complete the building by fall. So, if our ideas are fulfilled, and our expectations, there will be a handsome building on the site in the year 1930.

"I do not think I have anything to add to this report except that there is available a complete audit of all of our operations. I have really abstracted it in my talk and I do not think of anything to add to my statements but perhaps Dr. Kelly or Dr. Hilton, both of whom have co-operated with me closely, may think of something which I have missed, which they would like me to discuss."

Secretary Kelly said it would be interesting to give the summary of subscriptions on the first page of the report.

Referring to the subscription account Chairman Dunning referred to \$16,000 in subscriptions as very impressive because it does not mean that a few people have subscribed. He estimated that ten or twelve thousand retail druggists had subscribed; some have taken a real deep interest and not the men of wealth alone have donated this money. He figured that retail druggists had subscribed a great deal more than half of the amount. They didn't subscribe only five or ten dollars but \$100, \$200 and \$500 and have and are paying. Very few of the retail druggists have gone back on their subscriptions; 9117 are fully paid and 6139 have been partially paid. The amount subscribed is \$710,730, and the amount paid in, \$302,930, the balance to be collected amounts to \$407,000. Certainly more than half of it will be collected.

S. L. Hilton spoke about the location in saying there will be a building development across

the street immediately to the west, which is now occupied by the Naval Medical School and Naval Hospital. It is the old Naval Observatory building that has been there about fifty years. The principal buildings of the hospital are temporary structures. The Fine Arts Commission has under way and plans to put up a beautiful building after they are razed and also a magnificent building that will be the permanent building of the National Public Health Service, of which Surgeon-General Cumming is the head.

Replying to a question of Dr. Rusby relative to taxation Chairman Dunning stated that this is now being investigated and called on S. L. Hilton, who said he had talked with the corporation counsel in the District of Columbia. However, if not successful there that is not the last resort. The ASSOCIATION has a perfect right to use its influence with Congress and have a special bill passed by Congress to accept the building for scientific purposes, free from taxation. There are other tax-free buildings so we have ample precedents to work on. In his opinion there was no question about the result.

Chairman Dunning offered this reassurance—Some time ago the question was taken up with the proper authorities in Washington as to whether or not the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION could receive donations without being subject to tax, and after a study of the By-Laws of the ASSOCIATION and its Constitution, and considering its service, they passed favorably upon the question.

P. Henry Utech said that some of those present at the meeting when this proposition was undertaken looked with trepidation upon this big project. Considering the great amount of work already accomplished he believed the time opportune for this ASSOCIATION to strengthen its coöperation and express continued confidence in the tremendous work already done, by a rising vote of thanks.

The motion was seconded by Otto Raubenheimer, and a rising vote of thanks was given Dr. Dunning and his co-workers for the work done.

President Johnson said, "We have with us the Surgeon-General of the United States Bureau of Public Health Service. Many of you were fortunate enough to be present two years ago at Philadelphia at the annual dinner of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, and listened to Dr. Cumming. During the survey of pharmacy, he and his associates took an active interest and were responsible for the public health report included in that survey; also, recently the Public Health Bureau has begun the preparation of a series of bulletins on public health matters with coöperation of the Editor of the *JOUR. A. PH. A.*, and printed in the pharmaceutical press. These activities and many others which I could enumerate are certainly evidence of the interest that Dr. Cumming and his associates have in the work of pharmacy and I take great pleasure in presenting him to you at this time."

(The address of Dr. Cumming is printed in September JOURNAL, pages 863-868.)

President Johnson stated, "It is quite evident from this address that Dr. Cumming's activities extend to every part of our country. In a few days he will be in Montana and in the Yellowstone on official business and in my home city, Seattle, before I reach there, myself. If anyone as busy as he is can take an interest in our ASSOCIATION, it means a great deal to us. I thank you, Dr. Cumming, in the name of the ASSOCIATION. A rising vote of thanks is strictly in order." This was given.

At this point amendments to the By-Laws of the ASSOCIATION were presented, and read by Secretary Kelly, with the request that they be held until the next session and voted upon at that time. President Johnson announced that the amendments suggested would be acted upon at the last General Session, to be held at nine o'clock, Friday evening.

The amendments to the By-Laws follow:

It is moved by H. V. Arny that Section C of Article 1 of Chapter V of the By-Laws be amended by the substitution of the words "American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy" for the words "American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties," and by the addition of the words "Federal Wholesale Druggists' Association."

It is moved by H. V. Arny that Item 3 of Article 1 of Chapter VII of the By-Laws be amended by the substitution of the words "Committee on Legislation" for the words "Committee on State and National Legislation."

It is moved by H. V. Arny that Article V of Chapter VII be amended by the substitution of the words "and shall continue to serve for a term of ten years or until their successors are

appointed" for the words "and shall continue to serve until the edition for which it was appointed has been completed."

There being no further business, the Second General Session was then adjourned.

FINAL GENERAL SESSION.

The Final General Session of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION was called to order by President Johnson at 8:30 P.M., Friday, August 24th.

Secretary Kelly read the minutes of the Second General Session. Upon motion by H. G. Goeckel, seconded by C. P. Wimmer, it was voted to approve the report.

The final report of the House of Delegates was read by Chairman Seltzer (see the Minutes of the House of Delegates). Upon motion by F. W. Nitardy, seconded by Wm. B. Day, it was voted to accept the report.

President Johnson called for the report of the Committee on Resolutions, and asked former President, William B. Day, to preside during the reading of the report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Chairman Hunsberger reported for the Committee on Resolutions. (For Resolutions, see pages 931-935, September JOURNAL, and references to the Resolutions, as indicated. See also Minutes on the House of Delegates.)

The resolutions were read and the following actions taken:

Resolution Regarding Publicity by the Sending of Special Postal Card.—See (5) page 935:

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by Theodore J. Bradley, it was voted to accept the recommendation of the Committee, to refer the matter to next year's Local Secretary.

Resolution on Combined Membership.—See No. 19, page 933.

On motion of Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by Robert J. Ruth, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring adoption of this resolution.

Resolution Regarding Credits of Students.—See No. 20, page 933.

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the committee, to adopt the resolution and refer it to a committee to confer with the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy and National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.

Resolution Regarding Junior Course Applicable to Pharmacy in Colleges.—See No. 21, p. 933.

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by J. C. Munch, it was voted to accept the report of the committee and the recommendation that a committee be appointed to confer with the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

Resolution Regarding the Sale of Alcohol and Whisky.—See No. 4, page 935.

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by Robert J. Ruth, it was voted to accept the report of the committee of no action, since the ASSOCIATION has repeatedly stated its position in favor of a full compliance on the part of pharmacists with their obligations in connection with the articles referred to.

Resolution Regarding Status of Pharmacists in the U. S. Army.—See minutes and reports of Special Committee and of Committee on Pharmacists in Government Service, in the House of Delegates.

Chairman Hunsberger: "The Committee on Resolutions deemed action unnecessary because this matter has already been taken care of, therefore no action was taken. We are simply reporting that this resolution came up, was discussed, and no action taken because it was already covered in a report of the Minutes of the House of Delegates to the General Session."

Resolution Regarding Organized Labor.—See No. 3, pages 931-932.

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, in favor of the resolution.

Resolution Regarding Resale Price Legislation.—See No. 3, page 931.

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the committee favoring the adopting of this resolution.

Resolution on the Death of George M. Beringer.—See No. 1, page 931.

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by Glenn L. Jenkins, it was voted to adopt the resolution, as favored in the report of the committee.

Following this action, the members rose, and stood for a moment in silent tribute. The resolution follows:

GEORGE MAHLON BERINGER.

WHEREAS, by the decease of George Mahlon Beringer, which occurred on June 23rd last, death has removed from the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION one of its oldest and most active and faithful members, we, his surviving associates, desire to place on record our appreciation of his long and active service, and our sense of the personal loss of his presence and friendship.

Born in Philadelphia, on February 3, 1860, with none of the opportunities that wealth can afford, Mr. Beringer took full advantage of the benefits of adversity, through the exercise of his own efforts to achieve success and to develop his best and highest powers. In these efforts for self-advancement, Mr. Beringer never lost sight of his obligations to others nor of his service to society.

Entering a retail pharmacy as apprentice, he learned the requirements of pharmaceutical service from the foundation. Matriculating in the pharmacy school in 1878, he became an ardent and industrious student of both theory and practice, and throughout the whole of his long and active professional career, it was his love of work and study, rather than the emoluments that his service might bring, that constituted the stimulus to his activity.

A born teacher, Mr. Beringer never found his business and professional duties so engrossing that he could not find some time for imparting instruction to others, as an employer of clerks, as a teacher of private classes or as a contributor to pharmaceutical literature.

Mr. Beringer's attitude toward progress in every department of professional activity can be best described by the term, conservative advancement. Interested in and welcoming and aiding all new discovery, he was ever cautious as to hasty conclusions, and always jealous of the retention of the old and tried, so long as it was capable of doing good service.

Aggressive as well as persistent, Mr. Beringer was never an idle partner in any enterprise or service in which he was associated, and the records of our ASSOCIATION are enriched by his numerous contributions, both verbal and written.

As a scholar, Mr. Beringer was careful and accurate as to the minutest details, believing that adherence to truth was as incumbent in such cases as when important practical results were at stake.

In his personal selections, Mr. Beringer was impulsive, warm-hearted and generous, ever ready to sacrifice his own convenience and comfort in the interests of his friends.

In view of the foregoing facts, it is hereby

Resolved, that in the death of Mr. Beringer, our ASSOCIATION has lost one of its most valuable and efficient members, and its membership, one of their most valued personal associates;

Resolved, that the profession of Pharmacy loses the services of a jealous guardian of its ethical character and reputation, and of its higher professional life;

Resolved, that we sympathize most deeply with his bereaved family and that we are happy in the thought that their grief is in some degree mitigated by their knowledge of his well-spent life.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the surviving relatives of the deceased.

(Signed) HENRY V. ARNY CHARLES H. LA WALL
CHARLES W. HOLTON HENRY H. RUSBY.

Chairman Hunsberger: "The address of the Chairman of the House of Delegates contained no recommendations, and we recommend that this be referred for publication. I so move."

The motion was seconded by J. C. Munch, and it was voted to refer the address of the Chairman of the House of Delegates for publication.

Chairman Hunsberger: "The following recommendations have been prepared in accordance with the recommendations of the President in his address. Most of them are self-explanatory. If any are not clear, Mr. Chairman, I have the President's address for reference and information of the members."

Thereupon the recommendations were read and the following action taken: See pages 878 and 879 for series of President Johnson's recommendations, and pages 931-935 for Resolutions.

Recommendation Relating to the Organization of Student Branches.—See No. 4, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation Relating to Adding News Items and Matters of Scientific Interest to the Journal.—See No. 5, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation Relating to Contact with Other Pharmaceutical Organizations.—See No. 6, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by C. P. Wimmer, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation Relating to a Scientific Study of Cosmetics.—See No. 7, page 932.

The motion was made by Chairman Hunsberger and seconded by C. P. Wimmer that the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation be adopted.

S. L. Hilton asked whether the Commission on Proprietary Medicines was making a study of cosmetics.

Secretary Kelly did not think the investigation, which the Commission on Proprietary Medicines has in charge, is as broad in its scope as suggested in this recommendation.

President Johnson was not aware that a study was being made, and in his opinion a study would be of benefit.

Chairman Hunsberger stated he was a member of the Commission on Proprietary Medicines, but he was not in position, at this time, to report on the study being made by the Commission. He thought there might be a question as to whether a cosmetic is a proprietary medicine.

The motion made by Chairman Hunsberger and seconded by C. P. Wimmer, to accept the report of the Committee favoring the appointment of a Committee of five members to make a scientific study of cosmetics, was carried by a vote of the members.

Recommendation Commending Chairman H. A. B. Dunning and His Associates by Resolution.—See No. 8, page 932; also minutes of General Sessions and House of Delegates.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation Commending the Committee on Recipe Book.—See No. 9, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by R. A. Lehman, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation to Acquaint Medical Practitioners with the National Formulary.—See No. 10, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by Robert J. Ruth, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation of Encouragement of the Conference of Pharmaceutical Association Secretaries.—See No. 11, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by C. P. Wimmer, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation of Coöperation with American Conference on Hospital Service.—See No. 12, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by R. A. Lehman, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Relating to Permanency of Pharmaceutical Products.—See No. 13, page 932.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Relative to the Pharmaceutical Syllabus and the Commonwealth Report.—See No. 14, page 933.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by H. V. Army, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Recommendation Relating to Training of Technicians for Clinical Laboratories.—See No. 15, page 933.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by Glenn L. Jenkins, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Relating to the Fostering of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Inducing Men of Wealth to Take an Interest in Pharmacy.—See No. 17, page 933.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by C. P. Wimmer, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Chairman Hunsberger: "Item 18 of the President's recommendations (Investigation and Classification of Colleges of Pharmacy) is covered by a resolution already submitted. I therefore move its adoption."—See No. 16, page 933.

The motion being seconded by C. P. Wimmer, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, favoring the adoption of this recommendation.

Chairman Hunsberger: "Item 13 of the President's recommendations covers partial formula disclosure. The Committee on Resolutions feels the best way to handle that particular topic is to submit the report of the *Committee appointed by this body to confer with other committees with reference to this question of formula disclosure*. I submit the report of the Committee as covering the suggestion of the President. That report, as will be noted, is a negative report. The Committee could not agree on certain points and refers the matter back. It seemed to the Committee on Resolutions and House of Delegates that the suggestion in the President's Address would best be met by submitting this report and asking for its adoption by the General Session."

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by J. C. Munch, it was voted that the Report of the Joint Conference of Committees be substituted for the President's recommendation and this action was taken.

Chairman Hunsberger: "Item 4 in the summary of recommendations by the President relates to a student publication—'add a student publication only if it can be furnished in addition to the JOURNAL.' There is an inference in that suggestion that there is a plan to adopt a student publication." (See (2), page 935.)

President Johnson: "It has been suggested to me that a student publication should be furnished to student members in the place of the JOURNAL, that is, to take the place of the JOURNAL for student members. My recommendation is that student members should receive the JOURNAL, and, if this ASSOCIATION could provide it, a student publication which would help the student to grow in his professional spirit, but not otherwise."

Chairman Hunsberger: "The Committee on Resolutions, so far as establishing a Student Journal is concerned, did not seem to believe that it should be done at the moment, and therefore disapproved the recommendation."

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by C. P. Wimmer, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee on Resolutions, disapproving the recommendation of the President.

Chairman Hunsberger: "There was one further suggestion of the President, with which the Committee did not agree and that was to the effect that in the appointing of committees the president of the organization should simply appoint a chairman and permit the chairman to select his own committee. The Committee on Resolutions to the House of Delegates felt that under the present procedure the President can appoint his chairmen and then agree as to the choice of recommendations for the committee and appoint them, with the chairmen advising. For that reason, a negative action was taken."

On motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by F. W. Nitardy, it was voted to accept the report of the Committee, disapproving the recommendation of the President.

Chairman Hunsberger: "That concludes the complete list of resolutions that were presented to the Resolutions Committee except this one prepared this afternoon."—See No. 22, pages 933-934, relating to *Appreciation of Hospitalities and Publicity*.

Upon motion by Chairman Hunsberger, seconded by J. C. Munch, it was voted to adopt the resolution, and a rising vote of thanks was given the Maine Association and pharmacists for hospitalities and publicity.

Local Secretary Carswell expressed his hearty appreciation and on behalf of those mentioned in the resolution of thanks. He assured the membership that the people of Maine appreciated very much the opportunity to have the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION hold this annual meeting in Portland. What had at first appeared to be a gigantic task has proved to be a profitable experience. He thanked the ASSOCIATION for the action taken.

Chairman J. H. Dow supplemented the remarks made by Secretary Carswell by saying that it required many years of effort to bring the A. PH. A. to Maine and they would lay further plans to bring the ASSOCIATION back to Maine. He concluded by saying that if the members had derived as much pleasure from their visit as the hosts then their cup is filled to overflowing.

William B. Day said that the members of the ASSOCIATION owed the Committee on Reso-

lutions a debt of gratitude. They had put in many hours of work on the resolutions. He moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the Committee on Resolutions.

The motion was seconded by J. C. Munch and it was so voted.

President Johnson said that the next order of business was the *presentation of the Ebert Prize*.

Chairman J. C. Munch stated that the Ebert Prize is awarded annually for the paper presented at the preceding session, which, it is believed to be "the best essay or written contribution, containing an original investigation of a medicinal substance, determining new properties, or containing other meritorious contributions to knowledge; or for improved methods of determining merit, for the preparation of chemical or pharmaceutical products." He said further, that one of the resolutions passed by the ASSOCIATION requests manufacturers to make a study of deterioration of drugs. Such study has concerned manufacturers for many years and reports dealing with the subject have been communicated from time to time. A number of drugs have given trouble, more particularly aconite, on account of rapid deterioration. In reports relating thereon nux vomica and gelsemium are included. For papers on this subject, presented in this and previous years, the Ebert Prize is presented to E. E. Swanson of Indianapolis.

The Ebert Prize Winner expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred, but did not take all the credit, stating that five years ago A. L. Walters began this work with him and at this time he had as co-worker Chester C. Hargreaves, and he hoped that others may be interested in the same line of work.

The amendments to the By-Laws presented just before the close of the Second General Session were re-read by Secretary Kelly; a vote was called for and the amendments were adopted.

President Johnson spoke in part as follows: "It is impossible for me to express the appreciation I feel in having had the opportunity of serving this ASSOCIATION during the past year—this great AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION—it is certainly an honor that anyone might aspire to. I have had, during the year, a very busy time but it has been a very happy time. It has been my very good fortune to meet with the retail druggists in convention assembled during the year in the State of Arizona; we met on the border, at Nogales, and had many of the druggists of Mexico present. I met with the retail druggists, not in convention, but in local groups in the State of California—in Los Angeles and San Francisco, and in the states of Utah, Idaho and Washington. I didn't get to Alaska but I traveled from the Canadian to the Mexican border. I found that the retail druggists throughout this Pacific coast region, west of the Rockies, were very much interested in the work. They desire to have complete knowledge of what we are doing. And the recent visit of Secretary Kelly to the Pacific coast, where he not only met with most of these Associations but also Colorado and Nebraska *en route*, was very much worth while and a type of work we need to carry forward wherever possible.

"Last year at the installation of officers, Mr. Walton acted as marshal and he did the job so nicely and he made your incoming president at that time feel so much at home, that I am going to ask Mr. Walton to again act as marshal of ceremonies."

The officers-elect were presented for installation as follows: *Members of the Council:* H. C. Christensen, of Chicago; H. A. B. Dunning, of Baltimore; S. L. Hilton, of Washington, D. C.

The *First Vice-President-Elect*, A. W. Pauley, of St. Louis, was unavoidably absent. President Johnson referred to Mr. Pauley's work as Local Secretary and suggested that it would be expressive of appreciation to have Secretary Kelly write him that his absence was regretted and express the hope that he would be present at the Rapid City meeting. It was so ordered.

The *Second Vice-President*, W. H. Zeigler, was then installed. In presenting the elect, Marshal Walton commended them to the President, who responded happily to the words of introduction.

Before installing President-Elect David Franklin Jones, President Johnson said in part: "No greater pleasure can come to a retiring President than to install the incoming President. In your election of Dr. Jones, you have brought to the head of the ASSOCIATION one who is widely known, one known from the Canadian Border to Mexico, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In fact he is internationally known. It is with a great deal of pleasure that I am able to present to him this badge of office, one that has been worn by many Presidents in the past; I know and you know it will be most worthily worn by President Jones. I also present to you, Dr. Jones, the gavel of authority and take pleasure in being the first to congratulate you as President of this ASSOCIATION.—Members of the ASSOCIATION, I present to you President Jones."

In responding President Jones said: "Dr. Johnson, in accepting this badge of office and this gavel, I trust that I will wear the badge worthily and use the gavel with dignity and the grace with which it has been used by yourself in administering the affairs of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION during this session. I thank you for your kind words.

"I want to say to the members of the ASSOCIATION that I anticipate a most happy and profitable year in working with you. By your election, you have expressed confidence in me and I trust that at no time will I betray that confidence. I shall endeavor at all times to conduct the affairs of this office in such a manner as will be for the best interests of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION. I expect to make mistakes; they will be mistakes of judgment, and not intentional mistakes. My viewpoint, perhaps, will be somewhat different from yours. My home is in a small town upon the broad prairies. There the perspective is quite different from that in the cities of the East. We, of the West, have wide horizons and our viewpoint may be distorted or it may be clearer; sometimes it is very difficult to tell which. At any rate, our viewpoint is the horizontal while you of the densely populated cities have a vertical view and it is very difficult sometimes to get the proper perspective. I am sure, however, that with the combined perspective of every member of this ASSOCIATION, working together for the common good, that we will get along nicely together this coming year and I trust it will be a most profitable year. On behalf of the pharmacists of South Dakota I extend an invitation to all of you to be present in 1929, and if you will kindly bring a friend with you, I am sure the meeting will be a very profitable one. I thank all of you."

Marshall Walton presented Secretary Kelly, and President Jones in receiving him said that he anticipated a most pleasant relationship in the duties of the coming year; that they would become well acquainted and asked him not to place too many duties upon his shoulders.

Responding, Secretary Kelly said: "Mr. President, I shall try to be as considerate of your wishes as possible but as I have looked over the amount of work done at this session I am afraid you are in for a sad disappointment. I am very happy to realize, as I do, the success of this meeting and while this adds considerable work to the office, I feel like congratulating the members on the attendance at the sessions and the fine consideration they have given to the questions presented to them. I offer my sincere thanks for the splendid support I have had all the time and which I look forward to having next year."

After a vote of thanks, by rising, the Seventy-Sixth Annual Meeting of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION was adjourned.

PRESCRIPTION BLANKS RATED BY POST OFFICE.

Attention of postmasters has been called to existing construction covering the acceptance of physicians' prescription blank books under the proper rate of postage. The purpose of these instructions is to have postal employees familiarize themselves regarding the handling of such mail. Postmasters at offices of mailing should take proper action to see that physicians' prescription blank books *filled out in writing* are properly prepaid with postage at the *first-class rate* before being dispatched.

INCREASED MERCURY OUTPUT.

The production of mercury in the United States in 1927 was 11,276 flasks of seventy-

five pounds each, and that the 1928 output will be in excess of this figure is attributed directly to increased prices brought on by the production and price-regulating agreement between Italy and Spain, the two countries which collectively produce about ninety per cent of the world output.

Relative output figures in the four important mercury producing countries, as reported for 1927, are: Italy, 58,761 flasks; Spain, 50,000 flasks; United States, 11,276 flasks and Mexico, 2396 flasks. The Bureau estimates that the United States production, according to the opinion of the trade, will not exceed 15,000 flasks. Lacking natural resources for producing mercury, the United States would, even under peak production, fall far short of filling consuming needs.