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Delaware	Maryland	North Carolina	Vermont
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Florida	Michigan	Ohio	Washington
Georgia	Minnesota	Oklahoma	West Virginia
Idaho	Mississippi	Oregon	Wisconsin
Illinois	Missouri	Pennsylvania	Wyoming

ALASKA ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP.

The Alaska Territorial Board of Pharmacy has been elected to membership in the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy by vote of the Executive Committee. Alaska is the forty-eighth board to join the ranks of the Association.

The admission of Alaska opens a new field in the annals of the N. A. B. P. Heretofore, only states within the boundaries of the United States have become members. This paves the way for other territorial and insular possessions to become members and expands the service and work of the N. A. B. P. to other portions of the globe.

Alaska has for some years past been granting registration to pharmacists from The States without examination. As a result of her affiliation, her own pharmacists are now made eligible for reciprocal registration in The States under the usual rules and regulations governing reciprocity.

A hearty welcome is extended to our new member by all boards of pharmacy holding membership in the N. A. B. P.

CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENT-SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

The twenty-fifth annual convention of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy—Silver Anniversary—will be held at Portland, Maine, Monday and Tuesday, August 20th-21st, with the Eastland Hotel as headquarters.

Edgar F. Carswell, Secretary of the Maine Board of Pharmacy, is Local Secretary for the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and is in charge of all the convention arrangements.

The convention was originally announced for Poland Spring, Maine, but as it was impossible to make satisfactory hotel arrangements for the month of August,

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and it was thought unwise to postpone the convention until September, Portland was chosen instead.

All boards of pharmacy should begin making plans now for attendance. While the distance may be great to travel for the Western and Middle Western state delegates, it affords an unusual opportunity to visit scenic Maine during the height of its vacation season. The Silver Anniversary of the N. A. B. P. is an occasion in which all state boards will want to participate.

GIFT TO N. A. B. P. LIBRARY.

Dr. Morris Miner, for many years Professor of Pharmacy at the Northwestern University School of Pharmacy, and after its discontinuance in 1917, with the Illinois University School of Pharmacy, recently presented Secretary H. C. Christensen with some fifty odd volumes of text and reference books in pharmacy and allied sciences, many of them rare and therefore valuable.

This presentation was made as a memento of the many years of friendship which dates back to the days when the Secretary was a student in the classes of Dr. Miner at Northwestern University. The gift was accepted upon receiving assurance from the Doctor that it was satisfactory to him to have the books made a part of the historical and reference library pertaining to pharmacy which Secretary Christensen is collecting for the N. A. B. P.

The gift of Dr. Miner is deeply prized by Secretary Christensen and will, undoubtedly, be equally appreciated by the N. A. B. P. as a most valuable addition to its growing collection of books.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy will be held at the office of the Association in Chicago, 130 North Wells Street, on April 23 and 24, 1928.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

President C. W. Johnson of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION recently appointed A. L. I. Winne of the Virginia Board and H. C. Christensen, N. A. B. P. Secretary, to the Committee on New Textbooks. The object of the committee is to publish a series of correlated texts and reference books, which shall cover the requirements of both the college course and of the practicing pharmacist.

A conference was held on February 8th at the N. A. B. P. office in Chicago, between John A. J. Funk, of Galveston, Indiana, Chairman of District No. 3, Dean William B. Day, Chairman for the college association in the same District and Secretary H. C. Christensen. Detailed plans were made for the meeting of the District on April 25th and 26th at the Hotel Bismarck, Chicago, and a program drawn up for immediate mailing.

One of the best state pharmaceutical association bulletins that has ever come to the attention of the central office is that of the Utah Pharmaceutical Association by John Culley, Secretary, dated Feb. 15, 1928. It completely covers the narcotic regulations in a simple, direct manner,

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readily understood by anyone; gives a summary of the Caustic Poisons Act; calls attention to an article on "Advertising Hold-Ups" in the *Pacific Drug Review*; quotes "Alcohol for Compounding Prescriptions," as published in the *Chicago Retail Druggists Assocation Journal*: and gives information regarding "Searches and Seizures" by the federal government.

The final paragraph of the bulletin, entitled "One Advantage of a College Education," contains food for thought: "A successful business man was asked what was the most important thing he had learned in college. He very promptly replied that he could afford to discard all that he had learned there except 'the ability to distinguish between an opinion and a fact.' This ability he attributed to his scientific training. 'A collegiate training is possibly one of the best and quickest methods for training the mind to segregate the essentials of a problem, to correlate such essentials and then find a solution.'"

Secretary M. N. Ford of the Ohio Board, Ex-President of the N. A. B. P. and now a member of its Executive Committee, has just recovered from a six weeks' siege of illness. Friends will be glad to learn that he has returned to his post of duty.

F. H. King of Delphos, Ohio, was recently appointed by Governor Vic Donahey to serve his seventh consecutive five-year term on the Ohio Board of Pharmacy. The appointment expires on March 31, 1933.

Of the six terms which he has already served, three of his appointments were made by Republican governors and three by Democrats. This shows that, after all, politics do not always govern the appointment of board members as some would suppose, especially in the case of a good man.

On January 30th of this year, Mr. King had been in business in Delphos for forty-five years. In the thirty years in which he has been a member of the Ohio Board, Mr. King has not missed a single meeting of that body. He is the oldest member of the board in point of service in its history, and his reappointment makes him the oldest member, in point of service, in any department of the Ohio State government. The N. A. B. P. is interested in hearing whether any other state board can equal or exceed this record.

STATE BOARD ITEMS.

Arizona.—Secretary Hulett reports that out of the sixteen applications already received for the April 11th-12th meeting, twelve are for reciprocal registration. He remarks, "In the near future, the state boards will only examine their local men who are coming up for the first time."

"The drug business is very good, there are few violations, and new stores are constantly opening," he adds. "The November class of the board was the largest in its history."

Kansas.—An examination meeting was held on Feb. 1st and 2nd at Wichita, Kansas. Six of the fourteen applicants writing the full registered examination passed; nine of the seventeen taking the assistant examination also passed.

Kentucky.—The annual report of the board for the year ending October 11, 1927, has been received. Of the 112 candidates examined during the year for registered pharmacist license, 30 passed. For the assistant license, 26 were examined and 13 passed. The total number of pharmacists registered in the state is 1707; assistants 170.

Seventeen pharmacists entered the state by reciprocity and 22 obtained reciprocal registration in other states.

The report of the attorney and inspector, Edward Bloomfield, is included; also a list of the names and addresses of all pharmacists and assistant pharmacists licensed to practice in the state.

Minnesota.—As a result of the January 19th meeting, the names of ten registered pharmacists and eighteen assistants have been added to the roll.

At the annual meeting, Hugo O. Peterson of Minneapolis was elected President of the board, and John W. Dargavel was reëlected Secretary.

George T. Kermott of Duluth was appointed recently as a member of the board to succeed Edwin A. Brown of Winona, whose term expired on January 1st. **Nebraska.**—Fred J. Creutz of Wausa has recently been appointed a member of the Board of Examiners in Pharmacy to succeed Claude McVickers of Gothenburg.

Nevada.—The personnel of the board, including recent appointments, now stands as follows: W. R. Englert of Elko; H. H. Turrittin of Reno; R. W. Fleming of Tonopah; Earl B. Gratto of Coliente; F. M. Clark of Ely, Secretary.

North Dakota.—The Board of Pharmacy has employed an inspector to call on all the stores in the state and report violations, secure evidence, etc.

Ohio.—Examinations were conducted in Columbus on January 10th-11th. Thirty-seven out of the sixty-five candidates for the registered pharmacist certificate were successful, and five out of ten candidates for assistant license passed. The highest grade obtained in the pharmacist examination was 90.5; the highest in the assistant examination 84.3.

Reciprocal certificates were granted to Burt C. Beach of Missouri; Melville Schwartz of Illinois; Clair Studt of Michigan.

The next examination will be held in Columbus on April 3rd.

Oklahoma.—An examination was held in the Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, on Feb. 6th and 7th. Out of a class of twenty-eight candidates, twenty were successful.

Oregon.—At a meeting held on Tuesday, Feb. 14th, it was voted that the board rearrange its subjects of examination as follows, adding an oral quiz: (1) pharmacy, (2) materia medica and toxicology, (3) chemistry, (4) identification of drugs and practical work, (5) pharmaceutical law and pharmaceutical arithmetic, (6) oral.

Pennsylvania.—At the recent examinations held in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, by the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy, there were 141 candidates for pharmacist registration and 171 for assistant pharmacist registration.

The Pittsburgh examinations were in charge of Charles C. Campbell and L. L. Walton. The Philadelphia examinations were in charge of Walter Rothwell, Henry W. Merritt and Charles F. Kramer.

A reception and dance was given in honor of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy by the Western Pennsylvania Retail Druggists Association at the Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburgh, on January 25th. Over five hundred guests attended. There was much enthusiasm over the action of the Federal Court in sustaining the constitutionality of the Ownership Law and L. L. Walton gave an address on the meaning of the law and its effect on the future of the profession.

Governor Fisher has appointed John M. Woodside of Philadelphia as a member of the board of pharmacy, succeeding Walter Rothwell of Hatboro, resigned. Mr. Woodside's appointment was urged by a committee of officers of the Pennsylvania State Pharmaceutical Association as well as the deans of several schools of pharmacy in the state.

Virginia.—A bill to do away with the registered assistant pharmacist has been introduced and was reported favorably by the house committee on February 13th.

MEETING OF BOARDS AND COLLEGES OF DISTRICT THREE.

Following the joint meeting of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy held in Philadelphia in February 1926, a series of district meetings of the Boards of Pharmacy and Schools of Pharmacy was organized. The districts adopted were those already in use by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy and District No. 3 includes the states of Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan and Kentucky. The Boards and Schools of District No. 3 held their first meeting in Indianapolis, May 6 and 7, 1927. Every Board of Pharmacy was represented, some by their full membership, and with one or two exceptions every School of Pharmacy in the district was represented by one or more members of its faculty. The second meeting of the Boards and Schools of District No. 3 will be held in Chicago, April 25 and 26, 1928, with headquarters at the new Bismarck Hotel. John A. J. Funk of Indianapolis, Chairman for the Boards of Pharmacy and W. B. Day, Chairman for the Schools of Pharmacy met recently with Secretary H. C. Christensen and prepared a tentative program for this joint meeting, a copy of which is enclosed. So successful was the 1927 meeting that a full attendance of the six state Boards of Pharmacy and the fourteen Schools of Pharmacy for the district is expected.

to the delegates and will provide stenographic service for the meeting. A feature of the program will be a visit to the \$350,000 building recently completed and occupied by the University of Illinois School of Pharmacy. The district is fortunate in having among its members not only the Secretary of the Association of Boards of Pharmacy but the President of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, Dean Edward Spease of the Western Reserve School of Pharmacy, Cleveland, Ohio.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM.

1. Board Examination Results for Colleges.

Shall the schools be supplied with board examination grade sheets from which they may select their own graduates? No designation to be made of school from which candidates graduated.

2. Scope of the Board Examinations.

(a) Shall suitable questions in third-year subjects, such as bacteriology and drug-assaying, be included with the understanding that such questions shall be of a nature to test the candidate's ability to use this knowledge in his pharmaceutical practice?

(b) Cannot a knowledge of the fundamental sciences of chemistry, botany and physiology be safely assumed, at least to the extent of omitting elementary questions from examination in college prerequisite states?

(c) Would it not be well to include in the examination in pharmaceutical arithmetic such questions as will impress on the candidate the importance of an ability to estimate profits, overhead, turnover and similar phases of business?

(d) Should not a definite scheme for avoiding the over-lapping of the fields such as pharmacy and materia medica be formulated?

3. A Discussion and Study of State Board of Pharmacy Questions Submitted as Follows:

Chemistry	Illinois
Materia Medica	Ohio
Pharmacy	Indiana
Practical Pharmacy	Wisconsin
Pharmaceutical Mathematics	Michigan
Oral Quiz	Kentucky

These questions will be presented by a board of pharmacy member from the state designated and then discussed by both board and college delegates.

- 4. Relations of Boards and Colleges.
- (a) Should members of college faculties serve on boards?
- (b) Should any officer of a college of pharmacy serve as a board member?
- 5. Recognition of Schools of Pharmacy.
- (a) Report on recognized and unrecognized schools in the district.
- (b) On what basis may non-member (of the A. A. C. P.) schools be recognized locally?

TREATMENT FOR DANDRUFF AND FALLING HAIR.

The Journal of the A. M. A., in a recent issue, replying to a correspondent states that the following is a favored prescription for dandruff and falling hair:

Mercuric chloride, 3 Gm.

Resorcinol monoacetate, 6 Gm.

Castor oil, 6 cc.

Spirit of formie acid, 20 cc.

Compound spirit of Myrcia to make 120 cc.

The correspondent is advised that this preparation should be rubbed into the scalp

once a day, the fingers being covered with rubber cots to prevent irritation of the tips. The composition indicates the necessity of the physician to caution the user.

KRAMERIA OINTMENT.

E. Goldhammer (Dermatologische Wochenschrift, Vol. 84 (1927), p. 529, through Chemist and Druggist) gives the following formula for Krameria ointment, which he recommends as an application to hasten epitheliation: Thymol, 1 Gm.; extract of krameria, 10 Gm.; white wax, 18 Gm.; lard, 71 Gm.