

## EDITORIAL NOTES

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### "GELATIN IN MEDICINE." A CORRECTION.

We wish to call attention to two errors which, unfortunately, were overlooked in proof-reading the article with the above caption.

On page 261, in line four of the second section "casein" should read "ossein."

On page 262, Table 2, the caption for the first column of figures should read, "Heat of Combustion in Calories per Gm." since the kilogram calorie is intended.

(Signed) GEORGE D BEAL.  
ANDREW NEFF.

### NEW AND NONOFFICIAL REMEDIES.

The following additional articles have been accepted as conforming to the rules of the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association for admission to New and Nonofficial Remedies. A copy of the rules on which the Council bases its action will be sent on application.

W. A. PUCKNER, *Secretary*.

**B. ACIDOPHILUS MILK-ADOHR.**—A milk culture of *B. acidophilus*. It contains not less than 250 millions of viable organisms (*B. acidophilus*) per cubic centimeter at the time of sale.

*Actions and Uses.*—See Lactic Acid-Producing Organisms and Preparations (New and Nonofficial Remedies, 1928, p. 228).

*Dosage.*—For adults, from 500 to 1000 cc. daily, the amount to be increased or decreased as required. In some cases the addition of 100 Gm. of lactose daily is recommended, and in rare cases 200 and even 300 Gm. of lactose daily for a week or more. When used in infant

feeding it may be diluted with boiled water, it being borne in mind that vitamin C is lacking. *B. acidophilus* milk-Adohr is marketed in bottles containing 500 cc. and 1000 cc.; it must be kept cool and should be used prior to the date stamped on the package.

Manufactured by the Laboratory Division of the Adohr Creamery Company, Los Angeles, Calif. No U. S. patent or trademark.

Whole cow's milk is standardized to a fat content of 2 per cent by the addition of fresh skim milk and sterilized at 96° C. for a period of one hour and fifteen minutes on two successive days. After the second heating the milk is cooled to 37° C. and inoculated with a twenty-four hour culture of *B. acidophilus*. After inoculation the milk is kept at 37° C. for from twenty to twenty-four hours until an acidity is reached such that 10 cc. will require for neutralization 8.3 to 9.0 cc. of tenth-normal sodium hydroxide solution, using phenolphthalein as indicator. The product is then agitated until homogeneous, cooled to from 7° to 9° C., and transferred to bottles.

**PHANODORN** (See New and Nonofficial Remedies, 1928, p. 96.)

The following dosage form has been accepted:

*Phanodorn Tablets, 3 grains.*

**EPHEDRINE SULPHATE-P. D. & CO.** (See New and Nonofficial Remedies, 1928, p. 178.)

The following dosage form has been accepted:

*Solution Ephedrine Sulphate-P. D. & Co., 3 per cent:*  
It is preserved with chlorbutanol, 0.5 per cent.

From *Jour. A. M. A.*, April 21, 1928.

### THE NEW BRITISH QUARTERLY JOURNAL.

The following quoted article is taken from the *Pharmaceutical Journal and Pharmacists*. Pharmaceutical Associations elsewhere will watch with interest the results of the change.

"Arrangements are now well advanced for the publication of the first issue of the *Quarterly Journal of Pharmacy and the Allied Sciences*. This will, it is hoped, be ready for circulation early in April, and it is therefore necessary that prompt application should be made by members of the Society who wish to receive copies. Though it is not improbable that members who desire to receive this new scientific quarterly regularly will be expected in future to pay a modest annual subscription for it, the Council of the Society (British Pharmaceutical) has decided to supply a copy of the first issue free of charge to any member who applies for it in advance of publication. In order that information may be available respecting the number of copies to be printed, all applications should reach the Secretary of the Society by March 31st at latest. Copies will, in any case, be reserved for all members who applied for copies of the "Year-Book of Pharmacy," 1927, and for all corresponding members of the Conference (British); but it will not be practicable to maintain a large stock of copies in reserve. For this reason, all applications should be sent in without delay. At the same time, it is hoped that members will not apply for the new quarterly simply out of curiosity. It should be clearly understood that the *Quarterly Journal* will, in future, take the place of the Year-Book of Pharmacy. It will be, as a matter of fact, the Year-Book of Pharmacy, published in quarterly installments, containing matter of similar character, with records of pharmacological research as an additional feature. Those who have valued the Year-Book will welcome and appreciate the new quarterly issue, but it would be unduly optimistic to expect its contents to prove of particular interest to everyone in pharmacy.

*Duse Art Review* for April contains a sketch of Alexander Portinoff and his work. Among other illustrations of his art is that of a bronze bust of Dean Charles H. LaWall whose birthday was celebrated on May 7th at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science with a dinner, at which time the bust was presented to the College. Dr. Wilmer Krusen was the Toast-Master. Prof. E. Fullerton Cook made the presentation which was received by Joseph W. England, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Among the speakers were the President of the Alumni Association, Mrs. Bertha L. DeG. Peacock; Rev. Ernest Bawden, Dr. H. V. Arny, John H. Maurer, Esq., and E. G.

Eberle. The honored guest and Mrs. LaWall responded.

The Bureau of Public Health Service has issued a *Bulletin* in which the public is urged to become familiar with first aid methods. The information given in the *Bulletin* is most valuable and should be studied by pharmacists and their patrons. Possibly, it is not out of place to caution pharmacists in giving first aid, as on several occasions those whom it was intended to benefit have turned against the benefactor and brought suit for damages on account of imaginary or real injury. There will, probably, always be those who take advantage of an opportunity to return evil for kindly acts.

Merck & Co., Inc. are publishing a series of sketches of the "Prescription Druggist" in *Hygeia*. The purpose of the articles is to make it clear why it is to the real interest of the Public to give a generous measure of its support to the Prescription Pharmacy.

*The C. R. D. A. News*, of May 5th, has a forceful editorial on "Do you stand for anything in your community?" It impresses the need of giving publicity to pharmacy. A sentence reads, "There is no fundamental reason why we should have protection if we are only sealed package merchandisers."

The U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., has issued a pamphlet—"Opportunities in Medical and Hospital Work in the United States Civil Service." The following named positions are described in the pamphlet: Medical Officer, Dentist, Dietitian, Graduate Nurse, Medical Technician, Occupational Therapy Aide, Pharmacist, Physiotherapy Aide, Psychiatrist.

*The Pacific Drug Review* in an editorial of the May issue, entitled "Patriotism in Pharmacy" refers to a number of large gifts made for purchasing the Headquarters site and comments:

"The species of patriotism, of professional consciousness, which finds expression in this type of giving, is of a very high order indeed. The promptness of the response in this instance is a most encouraging sign. And, as is stated in a recent announcement, the time has come when many who have made money in the drug industry may appropriately come forward with large subscriptions for equipping the new building or establishing endowments for maintaining certain activities to be carried on therein. Those who have made money out of the drug industry should give pharmacy first

consideration in making gifts or endowments rather than other professions. Large endowments to pharmacy will not be covered up and lost sight of, as is frequently the case when such gifts are made elsewhere. No more worthy project in the country can be supported at the present time than the Pharmacy Headquarters building undertaking."

*The Medicine Man*, the publication of the United Drug Co. for May, reprints a luncheon talk of the Greater Boston Rexall Club, from which we quote:

"Have you ever thought of the fundamentals of our great business? Do you realize that the profession of pharmacy is not alone the oldest profession but is also the oldest business mentioned in the histories of the Early Ages?

"To conduct a Drug Store, Pharmacy, or Apothecary Shop it is necessary for you to obtain a license from the state in which you are located. That license is dependent on the amount of knowledge you have of the professional end of your business. If the time ever comes that the professional requirements of a pharmacist's license become of minor importance, it will mean that people who to-day could not qualify to open drug stores will more readily obtain a license than they can to-day, thereby narrowing down the standing of the retail druggist and making the drug business as precarious a livelihood as any small notion store, and the man engaged in the profession of pharmacy will be merely a storekeeper without the required training of that profession."

The speaker further emphasized that Pharmacy Schools should turn out more pharmacists for laboratory work.

#### GREAT AMERICANS IN THE HALL OF FAME.

Busts of John Greenleaf Whittier, Rufus Choate, Samuel F. B. Morse, Louis Agassiz and John Paul Jones, were unveiled at New York University on May 10th. It is to be hoped that Dr. Lyman Spalding will be named at the next election to the Hall of Fame. Certainly the service he rendered in establishing the U. S. Pharmacopœia with its many points of contact is worthy of such recognition, when the great services rendered humanity are considered.

#### MALTBIE FELLOWSHIP AT PRINCETON.

Announcement has been made that the Maltbie Chemical Company, of Newark, New Jersey, has contributed a grant for a research

fellowship for the coming year to the Department of Chemistry of Princeton University.

The research work to be done under this fellowship will be fundamental in character and will cover certain phases of the chemistry of creosote and creosote compounds.

The establishment of this research fellowship is to extend the Company's research activities and to contribute to a study of the chemistry of important drugs.

#### A HARVEY TERCENTENARY.

The Tercentenary celebration of William Harvey's publication of the "Essay on the Motion of the Heart and Blood" is being celebrated this year. The College of Physicians in Philadelphia has a large collection of



WILLIAM HARVEY.

Harveiana and this was added to at the exhibit for their celebration on March 22nd. With the writings of Dr. Harvey a large number of pictures and portraits of the Harvey family were shown; also pictures of his residence and burial place and events connected with his life.

#### IBSEN AND PHARMACY.

This is the centenary year of Ibsen's birth. Ibsen was apprenticed to a pharmacist, Jens Aarup Reimann, at Grimstad, in 1844. He remained with his successor, Lars Nielsen until April 1850. Prior to the latter date he had written the drama "Catalina." The original pharmacy in Grimstad, established in 1836, in which Ibsen spent the six years, was pulled down and replaced by a new building some years ago; but the latter has since

been acquired by the Corporation and is now maintained as an "Ibsen House." The fittings



HENRIK IBSEN.

of the original pharmacy have been retained in the new premises.

#### FIFTH COURSE OF THE CHARLES E. DOHME MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP.

Dr. George Barger—Professor of Chemistry, in relation to Medicine, in the University of Edinburgh—delivered the Charles E. Dohme lectures this year at Johns Hopkins University May 7th to 9th, on "Ergot." The lectures were divided as follows:

*May 7th, 4:30 P.M.* Historical; epidemics of ergotism; early popular therapeutic use; introduction into official medicine through the United States.

*May 8th, 4:30 P.M.* Botanical; pharmaceutical chemical, the active and some inactive constituents; methods of assay.

*May 9th, 4:30 P.M.* Constituents of general physiological interest; tyramine, histamine, ergothionine in blood; ergosterol as a precursor of vitamin D.

The Memorial Lectureship was founded by Mrs. Charles E. Dohme in memory of her deceased husband. Mr. Dohme was President of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, 1898-1899.

#### PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

Holzhauser's, one of the oldest pharmacies in Newark, N. J., and located on Broad Street

near Market, closed its doors on May 1st. Charles W. Holton, the son of the founder, has sold his lease to Castleberg's, Inc., a jewelry house. Mr. Holton, is Treasurer of the A. PH. A., and Secretary of the New York College of Pharmacy and a former President of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, which latter office was also held by his father; he will devote his attention to other business interests.

The *Apotheker Zeitung* began its forty-ninth year with the March number. Editor Hugo Kantrowitz has been associated with the publication since its initial issue.

J. Leon Lascoff, member of the New York Board of Pharmacy, was host at a gathering of twenty-four of the Lascoff families, at the Hotel Brewster, New York, on March 14th.

Dean H. M. Faser, after twenty years of service in the School of Pharmacy, University of Mississippi, has presented his resignation to become Associate General Agent and Manager of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co., for the State of Mississippi.

Miss Edna Steiger, of Williamsport, Pa., is an heroic figure in the smallpox epidemic which has been raging in the refugee camp at Beirut, Syria. She is the only American nurse employed by the Near East Relief in Beirut and has several thousand persons, including many children, under her care.

Miss Steiger, who nursed former Mayor Hylan, of New York, through a serious illness, has been decorated by the Greek Government for extraordinary service among Greek refugees.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley was the speaker at the meeting of the North New Jersey Section of the American Chemical Society, April 8th. Dr. Wiley has passed the four-score of years and has been a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION for more than a quarter of a century.

Dr. James S. Ames, dean of the college faculty and provost of Johns Hopkins University, has been elected Treasurer of the National Academy of Scientists, at a recent meeting of the Academy in Washington.

Albert E. James has been appointed Acting Manager of Calvert Drug Company and H. George Wendell is the Assistant Manager. Mr. James succeeds R. E. Lee Williamson, of the Mutual Drug Company.

J. G. McBride, Secretary of Nebraska Pharmaceutical Association, received the highest vote in his District for Representative for the State Legislature and is now the Republican nominee.

**Dr. David I. Macht** and Dr. Isaac Pels made a report of progress on the cause of pemphigus before the American Dermatological Association, at its recent meeting in Washington, D. C.

**Mrs. Alice L. Braunwarth Halstead**, of Muscatine, Ia., is the first woman to receive a Life Membership certificate in the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION by virtue of 37 years of membership in the ASSOCIATION. Her "home town" paper comments upon the fact stated and that she has resided in Muscatine during all of her life.

**Dean Wortley F. Rudd**, of the School of Pharmacy, Medical College of Virginia, stopped off in Baltimore after his return from Chicago, in attendance at a meeting for considering a survey of Pharmacy Schools and Colleges.

**Dr. Herman Thoms**, whom many will remember as visitor a few years ago when passing through this country on his visit to Japan, has been invited to give a series of lectures in Buenos Aires. Dr. Thoms was, for 25 years, head of the Pharmacy Institute of the University of Berlin.

The American Society of Bacteriologists elected Miss Alice C. Evans, of the U. S. Hygienic Laboratory, President of the organization, at its meeting in Rochester. This election recognizes the services and sacrifices of Miss Evans, who contracted Malta fever while engaged in work which demonstrated that the disease could be transmitted from cattle to human beings. Since then she has suffered from frequent attacks of the fever, and for the past ten months has been a patient in the Marine Hospital in Norfolk, Va.

**Dr. Hugh Smith Cumming**, Surgeon-General of the Bureau of Public Health Service, has entered on the third term as Chief of the Health Service. He is the fifth Surgeon-General of the Public Health Service and entered the service in 1894 as Assistant Surgeon.

**Dr. L. P. Shippen**, Bacteriologist, heretofore connected with the Bureau of Chemistry, is conducting work for Norwich Pharmacal Co., on research investigation in the field of anti-septics and germicides.

Dr. Howard A. Kelly's (Baltimore) mycological library, which is said to be the most complete and valuable of its kind privately owned, has been donated to the University of Michigan.

Dr. James J. Durrett of Memphis, Tenn., is to succeed Dr. George W. Hoover in charge of Drug Control in the Food, Drug and Insecti-

cide Administration, it has been announced by W. G. Campbell, director of Regulatory Work of the United States Department of Agriculture. Doctor Durrett's appointment is the result of his passing with first rank the civil service examination ordered when it was known that Doctor Hoover planned to resign to engage in private practice as a consultant on food and drug control matters.

Doctor Durrett was graduated from the University of Alabama in 1908 and had subsequent postgraduate work at that institution, and study leading to the degree of M.D. at Harvard in 1914. He has been identified with public health work in the South and since 1920 has been City Supervisor of Health at Memphis and Professor of Public Health at the University of Tennessee. He will assume charge of Drug Control early in May.

Doctor Hoover has spent 24 years in Government service, first in laboratory work and later in regulatory work in the Bureau of Chemistry. In 1914 he was made chief of the Chicago Station and in 1923 returned to Washington to take charge of Drug Control. In 1926 he became chief of the Central District and later returned to Washington again to a temporary assignment as chief of Drug Control.

#### CHEMICAL LITERATURE OF THE WORLD TO BE CATALOGUED.

The American Chemical Society is raising funds for the expansion and maintenance of a coöperative service in recording and indexing, through its publications, the chemical literature of the world, according to a statement issued by the Board of Directors of the society. The society seeks to obtain \$50,000 a year for five years from the chemical industry, to be spent as it comes in, for the expansion and betterment of the existing service. In addition, it has arranged plans to underwrite a fund of \$2,000,000, the income of which would be used to place this expansion on a permanent basis.

The society has already received \$360,000 for the two enterprises. The Chemical Foundation, Inc., has given \$250,000 and the industry has contributed \$110,000.

#### COLLECTIVE INDEX OF THE YEAR BOOKS OF THE A. P. H. A.

The AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION is now making preparations for the publication of a Collective Index of the "Year Books" and "Proceedings," of the past 25 years. The aim is to supply the Index at a

cost of \$5.00. Those who desire a copy should advise Secretary E. F. Kelly, 10 West Chase St., Baltimore, Md. The value of the book will be appreciated by all who make use of pharmaceutical literature.

#### THE LLOYD LIBRARY AND ITS MAKERS.

The Lloyd Library is known wherever Pharmacy and the related and underlying sciences are studied. Scientists come from Europe and other sections of the world to search its records. Under direction of our veteran Ex-President J. U. Lloyd the late Caswell A. Mayo, a former President of the A. Ph. A., prepared "The Lloyd Library and Its Makers," an historical volume of 72 pages; it is handsomely illustrated with reproductions of pages of ancient dispensatories and pharmacopœias, the originals of which are in the library. Professor Lloyd has paid a tribute to the compiler by the inclusion of a fine half-tone of the latter.

#### COST OF RETAIL SELLING IN STORES ANALYZED.

An analysis of retail selling costs has been prepared by G. E. Bittner of the Domestic Commerce Division of the U. S. Department of Commerce. In connection with the report the Department of Commerce has issued a statement in part as follows:

"One of the most difficult problems facing the retail merchant to-day is in connection with the cost entailed in actually selling his wares over the counter. The average successful retailer has reached a certain degree of efficiency in the buying of his stock. His merchandise is cleverly displayed and well advertised. When the next process is reached, however, the actual selling to the customer, the same degree of efficiency may not be in evidence. Any substantial advance in retail selling efficiency, whereby reduction is afforded in the cost of overhead, will prove of advantage not only to the dealer but to the customers as well."

One purpose of the comment is to point out the value of the analyses made by Prof. Paul C. Olsen as part of the splendid work the Druggists' Research Bureau is doing. The Bureau should be complimented for doing this work in the interest of the drug trade. Selling problems must be determined through an accurate knowledge of all the facts involved in doing business.

*Industrial and Engineering Chemistry*, discussing "The Attitude of Industry toward Prohibition" in its current issue, asserts editorially that many industries are fully aware of a dangerous type of bootlegger within their group, and advises that the temptation of low prices for certain bootleg by-products be resisted and the offender be reported to the prohibition authorities at Washington.

#### CHAINS AND CHAINS.

About eighty retail druggists, members of the Cincinnati Guild of Hy-Pure Druggists, met at the Cincinnati Club May 11th and made plans for the organization of the Hy-Pure Stores, Inc. The new company will be incorporated at \$100,000, with the object of opening and developing a chain of new drug stores in various parts of Cincinnati and vicinity, in addition to the stores already operated by the members of the Guild. Directors chosen were Emil Kraft, Walter Wetterstroem, Arthur Sarsfield, Samuel Joseph, John S. Beatty, Edward Voss, Jr., and Charles Ehlers.

Peoples Drug Stores, Inc., acquires three drug stores in Washington, formerly operated by O'Donnell Drug Co., bringing total number of stores operated by Peoples Drug to 49.

Neve Drug Stores, Inc., the recently launched chain-store organization, now has fifty-five stores in operation in New York City.

Liggett Drug Stores, a unit in the United Drug branch of Drug, Inc., has bought the seven Buck & Rayner drug stores in Chicago. The consideration was \$2,548,000.

The United Cigar Stores' interests are planning to establish a chain of retail drug stores which will rank second to the Liggett chain. The nucleus of the chain will be fifteen or twenty of the best located Happiness Candy Stores and the sixty-four stores of the United Chemists, both of which are owned by United Cigar.

The business of J. C. Eno, Ltd., British proprietary medicine manufacturer, has been purchased for something over \$7,000,000 by Harold F. Ritchie, of New York and Toronto, according to the *London Daily Express*.

#### DRUG, INC., ELECTS OFFICERS.

Drug, Inc., the new corporation which amalgamates the United Drug Company and Sterling Products, Inc., has elected the following officers: *Chairman of the Board*, Louis K.

Liggett, of the United Drug Company; *President*, A. H. Diebold, of Sterling Products; *Vice-Chairman*, G. M. Gales, of the United Drug Company; *Vice-President and General Manager*, W. E. Weiss, of Sterling Products; *Vice-President*, H. H. Ramsay, who has been a member of counsel representing both firms; *Treasurer*, W. C. Watt, of the United Drug

Company; *Secretary*, E. I. McClintock, counsel for Sterling Products; *Assistant to the Secretary and Treasurer*, C. C. Mason.

Messrs. Liggett, Gales, Watt and McCallum represent the United Drug group on the board of directors. Messrs. Diebold, Weiss, Ramsay, Berens and Stifel represent the Sterling group.

## OBITUARY.

### HARRY W. CROOKS.

Harry W. Crooks, member of the New Jersey Board of Pharmacy and former President of the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association, died April 28th, in South Orange, N. J., aged 55 years. He was about to enter his automobile at the Railroad Station when he was taken suddenly ill, resulting in death from heart trouble.

Mr. Crooks was a graduate of Newark Academy and the New York College of Pharmacy. For a number of years, he conducted a pharmacy at Broad and Clark Streets, Newark, and later became associated, in practice, with the late Edward A. Sayre. At the time of his death, he owned two drug stores, one in Lake Hopatcong and the other in Bloomfield. He had been a member of the State Board for nine years and he held membership in the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and its New York branch, New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association and the New York College of Pharmacy. He was an organizer and the first Secretary of the one-time Newark Pharmaceutical Association, and also served as Secretary of the Essex County, N. J., Pharmaceutical Association.

He was the son of the late Atha B. Crooks, who for many years conducted a pharmacy and wholesale drug business at Warren and Searing Streets, Newark. Surviving Mr. Crooks are his widow, Mrs. Anna H. Crooks, and one brother. Funeral services were held at the Crooks' home, No. 280 Forest Road, South Orange, on April 30th.—EDWARD A. WICKHAM.

For the following we are indebted to Secretary Robert P. Fischelis:

The Board of Pharmacy of the State of New Jersey regrets to announce the sudden death of Mr. Harry W. Crooks of South Orange, who served for nearly ten years as President, Vice-President and as a Member of the Board.

The following resolutions were passed by the Board at a meeting held May 3rd, the meeting being adjourned immediately after the passing of the resolutions out of respect to the memory of the deceased.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS Divine Providence has taken from our midst Harry W. Crooks, a faithful and highly esteemed member of the Board of Pharmacy of the State of New Jersey and

WHEREAS the profession of Pharmacy and the Board of Pharmacy have thus lost the wise counsel and experienced service of one of its outstanding representatives, be it

*Resolved* that the Board of Pharmacy of the State of New Jersey hereby records its regret at the untimely death of the said Harry Crooks who served his fellow pharmacists for nearly ten years as a member of the Board, Vice-President and President, and be it further

*Resolved* that the sympathy of the Board be expressed to his family in their bereavement and that these resolutions be inscribed upon the minutes of this Board and that a copy be sent to his widow.

Mr. Crooks was serving his second term as a Board Member, which would have expired May 31, 1928, and he had been recommended by the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association to the Governor as one of three candidates eligible for reappointment. He was fifty-five years of age and had been active as a member of the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association, being an Ex-President and former member of the Committee on Legislation of that body.

**Robert J. Strassenburgh**, President, R. J. Strassenburgh Co., Rochester, N. Y., died in Los Angeles, March 22nd, as the result of an automobile accident. He was 64 years old. He entered the drug business in 1887, incorporated his business to manufacture chemicals in 1901, was one of the organizers of the American