

C. P. Van Schaack, of Chicago, after fifty-four years of active connection with the wholesale drug trade, has retired. He started in business with George H. Schaefer of Ft. Madison, Iowa. Mr. Van Schaack has been an active member of the A. PH. A. for many years.

Dr. John C. Krantz, Jr., has contributed an interesting article to the *Druggists Circular*, running through several issues, entitled "The Changing Order of Modern Therapeutics."

Pharmacist J. Cameron, member of the A. PH. A., in an article on "Pharmacy in China," printed in the *Pharmaceutical Journal*, states that "the Chinese Pharmacopœia is now the official guide. However, it is not in general use and the U. S. Pharmacopœia and the British Pharmacopœia are used to a greater extent." He speaks of a number of pharmacies in various cities of China which are well stocked and under guidance of highly trained pharmacists.

Herbert Skinner, chairman of the British Pharmaceutical Conference, visitor at the Toronto meeting, and honorary member of the

AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, has contributed "American Pharmaceutical Notes," running through several issues of *The Chemist and Druggist*. The pages of the article in the April 29th number are illustrated by views of the pharmacy of J. Leon Lascoff & Son. The contributor in his lines of comment shows that he has been on this side of the Atlantic before but, perhaps, has not attended previous A. PH. A. meetings. Members of the A. PH. A. are pleased to have visitors of the type at the Toronto meeting who come to acquaint themselves with our ways of doing things and inform us about their own. No doubt, if times were better, there would be more interchange of visitations—they are beneficial to hosts and visitors.

Dr. Frank B. Kirby, former sales manager for Abbott Laboratories, has become its Director of Education, having to do with educating salesmen, contacts with drug and medical groups. Dr. Kirby is also secretary of the Committee on Pharmacy Exhibit, Chicago World's Fair.

OBITUARY.

EDWARD STABLER LEDBEATER.

E. S. Ledbeater, prominent pharmacist of Alexandria, Va., died at his home after an illness of several months. The historic pharmacy of which the deceased had been proprietor was established in 1792 by Mr. Ledbeater's great grandfather, William Stabler. Richard H. Stabler, a relative, was president of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION 1870-1871.

Among the historical records of this pharmacy are entries showing that General George Washington and Martha Washington were patrons of the store and several of the Washingtons were for a time engaged there. General Robert E. Lee was a patron and in this store General J. E. B. Stuart, then courier, delivered an order to him for Colonel Lee to proceed to Harpers Ferry to subdue the John Brown uprising. Until two weeks ago the store had not ceased to function since its establishment.

For the past thirty years Mr. Ledbeater had been superintendent of Christ Church Sunday School and vestryman of the Church.

The deceased had never married and is survived by two sisters, Mrs. William B. Lloyd

and Mrs. Laurence Stabler and a brother, Clarence C. Stabler.

WILLIAM H. MARTINDALE.

William Harrison Martindale, well and favorably known British pharmacist and author, died at his home in London, April 8th, aged fifty-eight years. He was the son of William Martindale, former president of the British Pharmaceutical Society and of the British Pharmaceutical Conference. He was educated at the University College, London, and at the University of Marburg, and on the death of his father continued the business established by him. He also revised the later editions of "The Extra Pharmacopœia" and contributed largely to pharmaceutical literature. His monographs included "Notes on Radio-activity," "Pharmacy Notes from Various Parts of the World," and some of his medical writings were prepared in conjunction with Dr. J. Graham Willmore—"Treatment of Amoebic Dysentery," etc. However, he is best known to American pharmacists by "The Extra Pharmacopœia."

C. Edward Sage, in the *Pharmaceutical*

Journal and Pharmacist, states that "with the passing of W. H. Martindale we have counted off another epoch in the history of English pharmacy. His father's lifetime work furnished him, in 1902, with an inheritance of tradition and scientific achievement such as few men start with, and he accepted it as a trust, and honorably and faithfully pursued his profession in the endeavor to add to the armory by which medicine fights disease. Martindale's student days were passed in the period when bacteriology and radiology were novelties to the medical profession, yet he took pains to add those sciences to his equipment, knowing quite well that pharmacy would have to take its share in rendering their benefits available for medical practice."

AUGUST DIEHL.

August Diehl was born at or near Easton, Pennsylvania, on January 6, 1869. After leaving public school in that city, he worked as a boy in a drug store, until his folks moved to New York, when he was about sixteen years old. He entered the New York College of Pharmacy in 1886, graduating in the famous Blizzard Class of 1888. In 1900 he took over both of Schlessner's Bedford Ave. stores, having entered into partnership with his brother Theodore. The latter died about twenty years ago, and the Taylor St. store was sold, while the Penn St. store was his property until the end. He was never married.

He was a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, of the New York Veteran Druggists' Association, Kings County, German Apothecaries' Association, Williamsburg Druggists' Association, etc. He was a director of the New York Consolidated Drug Co. for about fifteen years, having served as president of that corporation for seven years.

Mr. Diehl was a quiet, lovable and somewhat bashful sort of an individual, but a very capable pharmacist. His death ensued as a result of an attack of pneumonia on January 14, 1933.—*Courtesy William C. Anderson and Robert Lehman.*

LAWSON C. COULSON.

Lawson C. Coulson, of Corsicana, well-known Texas druggist, died at his home Sunday, March 12th, after a ten-day illness with pneumonia. He is survived by his wife, one son, three daughters and two brothers, Tom

Coulson of Dallas, and Will Coulson of Coleman. Mr. Coulson was born and reared in Corsicana, and was a leader in civic, social and business circles for many years. He entered the drug business with his brother, Tom Coulson, now of Dallas, later becoming proprietor of the business and it was only recently that he retired.

THOMAS J. KEENAN.

Thomas J. Keenan, chemist and technical journalist, died May 1st, in his home in South Orange, N. J., aged sixty-seven years.

Mr. Keenan was born in Dundee, Scotland, August 29, 1866, and studied chemistry and pharmacy there. He came to New York and until 1892 was employed as a hospital pharmacist. In that year he joined the editorial staff of the *Pharmaceutical Record* and was editor of the publication when, in 1903, it was consolidated with the *American Druggist*. He was associate editor of the latter publication until 1911, when he became editor of *Paper*. He was one of the organizers of the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry and served as its secretary-treasurer from 1915 to 1920.

In 1923, Mr. Keenan became editor of scientific publications for Lehn & Fink, Inc. About a year later, he became associate editor of *The Paper Industry* and remained in that position until late in 1932. His wife died about that time, and Mr. Keenan went to Scotland. He returned several months ago and had since been devoting himself to free-lance journalist work and the writing of technical articles.

DR. HIKOEMON KIMURA.

The death of Dr. Hikoemon Kimura, one of the foremost pharmacists of Japan, has been announced. He died on March 31st, aged fifty years. He entered Osaka Kyoritsu Pharmaceutical School in 1895, and graduated in 1897. He joined the army as a pharmacist in 1899, and took a special course in pharmacy at Tokyo Imperial University. In 1902 he became a pharmacist sub-lieutenant and went to the front as a health officer in the Russian-Japanese War. In 1906 he was promoted to pharmacist-lieutenant and then studied pharmacy under Dr. Thoms in Berlin University, 1907 to 1913. He received the degree of Doctor of Pharmacy in 1913 and became Professor of Pharmacy at Osaka Pharmaceutical College. He was president of the Osaka Pharmaceutical College from 1922 to 1925, and

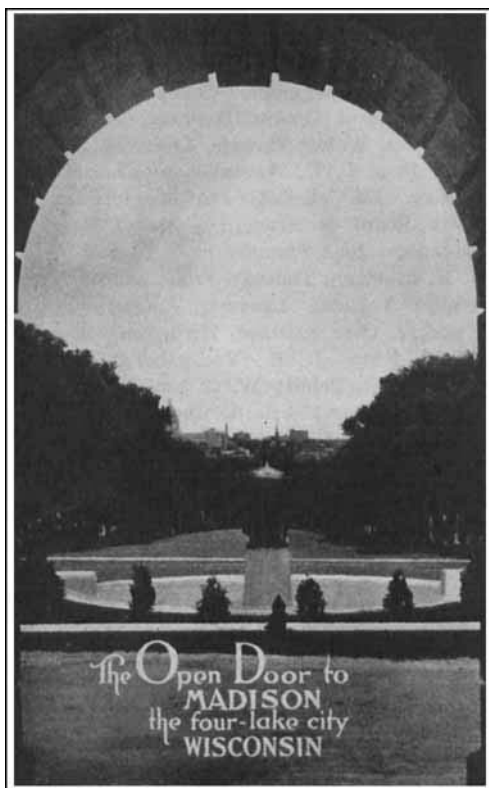
vice-president of the Japan Pharmacists' Union from 1929 to 1931.

MISS CARRIE RITTER.

Miss Carrie Ritter, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1922, died February 28th, aged 43 years. In 1915 she graduated from the Cincinnati College of

Pharmacy and, in the following year, she engaged as pharmacist in the City Hospital of Springfield, Ohio, where also during later years she was X-ray technician. The value of her services are best expressed by the fact that she continued in this service for seventeen years, until the time of her death. We are indebted to her sister, Mrs. Madeline R. Plogstedt, for the foregoing data.

SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.



View taken from entrance of Bascom Hall, U. of W., looking over Lincoln Terrace. State Capitol Building in distance.

SECTION ON EDUCATION AND LEGISLATION.

The Section on Education and Legislation invites contributions of papers relating to legislation and education. Lengthy papers should be accompanied by abstracts and titles submitted as early as possible so that they can be listed in the program and mimeographed prior

to the convention. The chairman of the Section is W. H. Rivard, 10 Beaufort Street, Providence, R. I., and the secretary should be addressed: Charles W. Ballard, 115 W. 68th St., New York, N. Y.

Dean C. E. Mollett is sending out requests for papers and topics for discussion which will be used at a joint meeting of representatives of the Conference of Pharmacognosy and Pharmacology at the meeting of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION at Madison, Wis., in August. Dean Mollett is secretary of the former organization. The object of the conference is to improve the various courses of instruction in schools which are members of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy.

AMERICAN DRUG MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION.*

Federal legislative programs, particularly those directed to the revision of the food and drugs act and the control of industrial practices, were outstanding as topics of interest in the twenty-second annual meeting of the American Drug Manufacturers' Association, which completed four days' sessions at Hot Springs, Va., May 11th. Plans to stabilize and improve the drug industry, plans originated by the industry, were also the subject of serious discussion.

Among the matters of more individual interests to members of the association, which came up for discussion, were the patenting of drug and chemical products, the compulsory registration of trade names, and the problems attending insurance, particularly insurance against liability for mishaps alleged to result from the use of drug products. Foreign trade conditions were reviewed and generally were

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