



GEORGE A. GORGAS.

# JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION

VOL. XXIII

OCTOBER, 1934

No. 10

## GEORGE A. GORGAS.

This is the fiftieth anniversary of membership in the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION of George Albert Gorgas. Mr. Gorgas was born in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, November 1858; he received his early education in the public schools and the Cumberland Valley State Normal at Shippensburg, Pa., and thereafter served an apprenticeship in the pharmacy of Daniel H. Hamaker in Harrisburg. In 1879 he matriculated at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and graduated in 1881.

In 1883 Mr. Gorgas engaged in business on his own account, purchasing the pharmacy of I. D. Lutz on Market Square, Harrisburg; here he conducted the establishment until 1893, when he moved to the present location; later he opened two branch stores, one of which was discontinued last year.

The subject of this brief sketch has always shown interest in improving pharmaceutical practice for service of the public; he has been active in organization work and an outstanding member of the Pennsylvania Pharmaceutical Association, of which he was president in 1906; one of his presidential recommendations established Life Membership; in 1918 he was elected a Life Member and, this year, in recognition of his many services to pharmacy and years of loyal membership, he was elected an honorary member of that organization; he is also a member of the National Association of Retail Druggists.

In 1932 the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science conferred on him the degree of Master of Pharmacy; he is a member of the Board of Trustees of that institution, and its "Model Pharmacy" was made possible through the efforts of Mr. Gorgas.

Our fellow-member is active in civic affairs, Kiwanis Club and Masonic bodies.