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LETTER NO. 6.

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To the Members of the Council:

31. *Joint Meeting Executive Committee, N. A. R. D., and Council, A. Ph. A.* The annual joint meeting was held in New Orleans on September 24th. The following is the report as issued by Secretary Dargavel and Secretary Kelly:

"The annual meeting of the executive bodies of the A. PH. A. and the N. A. R. D. was held on Monday, September 24th, in the conference room H of the Roosevelt Hotel, at 9:30 A.M., at which the following members were present: National Association of Retail Druggists - Harvey A. Henry, Chairman of the Executive Committee; Monte L. Powell, President; George L. Secord, Thomas S. Smith, C. Fred Wright, Charles Ehlers, John Witty, John W. Dargavel.

"Members of the Council of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION—E. F. Kelly, W. Bruce Philip, Walter D. Adams, James H. Beal.

"These meetings are held for the purpose of discussing many problems of mutual interest to the two groups.

"The program included consideration of the various suggestions recently advanced for a consolidation or a closer coordination between the two associations, and for a closer affiliation between them and the state associations, food and drug legislation; U. S. P. and N. F. Publicity and National Pharmacy Week.

"Secretary Kelly was called upon to open the discussion of the first subject and spoke at length of the conditions which led to the organization of the N. A. R. D. and the relations which had existed between the two organizations. He assured the officers and members of the N. A. R. D. that it is the purpose and desire of the A. PH. A. to at all times work with them on all problems of mutual concern.

"Attention was called to suggestions from time to time for consolidating the associations and for a more effective alliance between them. The A. PH. A. has always been willing to consider such suggestions in good faith as shown by the resolution adopted by it last year. So far no acceptable plan has been submitted for consolidation because of the sharply different field in which the associations operate and any move in this direction should have very careful examination.

"Recent developments and proposals, however, warrant further consideration of the whole subject of the relations between the associations and between them and the state associations to the end that the need of all three groups may be fully met. A close affiliation or coordination of the two associations with the supporting state and local associations was urged. Dr. Secord spoke in support of Dr. Kelly's remarks.

"Dr. Beal also addressed the group. He also was in accord with the statements previously made and stated that he was to address the convention on this subject at which time he would detail the reasons why in his opinion actual consolidation of the associations was impossible.

"Practically all of those present were called upon and expressed the opinions that the two associations having so much in common would work in harmony.

"Food and drug legislation was next discussed. It was the consensus of opinion that the two associations should take an active part in initiating and supporting such legislation.

"W. Bruce Philip, Counsel of the N. A. R. D., brought out the fact that he had written a Food and Drug Bill in the form of an amendment to the present act.

"It was agreed that at the coming annual meeting of the National Drug Trade Conference, the A. PH. A. and the N. A. R. D. should actively cooperate to secure the approval of a satisfactory bill for submission to Congress.

"A general discussion of National Pharmacy Week and the U. S. P. and N. F. Publicity and of plans for promoting these movements followed.

"Inasmuch as the A. PH. A. in its meeting at Madison had passed a resolution to the effect that a committee be appointed to meet with a committee of the N. A. R. D. if the latter approved, for the purpose of affecting a better relation between the two organizations, the Executive Committee present offered a motion which was seconded and passed that the President of the N. A. R. D. appoint a like committee to confer with the Committee from the A. PH. A.

"The motion was as follows:

"That a committee of three be appointed to work with the A. PH. A. committee to consider the relations existing between the two associations and to present at the earliest opportunity a plan or suggestions for improving them.

"The committee is also to consider matters relating to the Drug Trade Conference, to Pharmacy Week and the U. S. P. and N. F. Propaganda and will meet at an early date. It was agreed that all matters pertaining to present publicity concerning this meeting or any meetings between the N. A. R. D. and the A. PH. A. should emanate from the Secretary of the N. A. R. D. or from the Secretary of the A. PH. A.

"There being no further business before the committee, it was adjourned."

The subjects considered were limited, as noted, to those mentioned on the program recently submitted to the members of the Council.

Messrs. Rowland Jones and Oscar Rennebohm were present at New Orleans, but arrived too late to attend the joint meeting.

Among the resolutions adopted by the N. A. R. D. was one disapproving the proposed consolidation of the two associations.

In accordance with the resolution as adopted at the Madison meeting in 1933, Chairman Hilton of the Council has appointed E. F. Kelly, R. P. Fischelis and R. L. Swain.

At the joint meeting in New Orleans, it was agreed that if the State Associations requested representation on the joint committee, this would be provided.

(*Motion No. 5*) *It is moved by Eberle that the appointment of Messrs. Kelly, Fischelis and Swain to represent the A. Ph. A. on the joint committee by Chairman Hilton, be approved.*

32. *Committee on Maintenance.* The following letter has been received from Chairman Dunning of the Committee on Maintenance:

"The recent campaign for funds to free the American Institute of Pharmacy Building from debt has resulted in aggregate subscriptions amounting to \$119,314.00, \$50,000.00 of which represents a bequest, leaving a difference of \$69,314.00; \$58,228.00 has been paid in cash; the balance credited to the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION Headquarters Building Fund, in the Maryland Trust Company, is \$51,184.18. The current bills amount to less than \$3000.00 and a few hundred dollars, in addition, will take care of all unforeseen expenses within the immediate future. When all these bills and expenses are paid, there will remain a balance of approximately \$48,184.18.

"There is, therefore, at the present time, in hand sufficient funds to meet current bills, pay off the \$40,000.00 note held by the Maryland Trust Company, and leave a balance of approximately \$8000.00 in cash. The instalment payments will, of course, increase this cash as time goes on, as also will new subscriptions, which are being received regularly in small numbers.

"The only other obligation against the American Institute of Pharmacy project is a mortgage of \$36,000.00 held by the George Washington University, on account of the lot in the rear which we were obliged to purchase to be able to obtain the necessary frontage for our building. This mortgage could be reduced from time to time, could be paid off out of the new subscriptions which will come in over a period of years, or, if such funds would be insufficient, then the payment of \$50,000.00 bequest, already mentioned, would eventually take care of this debt and leave a balance.

"It is evident that the American Institute of Pharmacy project, including the building, the equipment, furnishings, land and every other cost, is free from financial obligations and is, at present, secure and safe.

"The operating expenses of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION in this building are, as you have been informed, through my open letter to pharmacists, not greatly more than the moderate amount expended upon the quarters which were occupied in Baltimore.

"I think it is quite correct to say that the project is, at present, on a sound financial basis and does not represent, in any sense, a threat to the security and safety of the future of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION, but, on the contrary, does provide obvious advantages.

"It seems to me advisable to remind the Council that an Act of Congress provides that the American Institute of Pharmacy Building and its occupant, or occupants, must operate on a non-profit basis, also that freedom from revenue taxes and, more particularly, from property taxes in the District of Columbia, is dependent upon meeting the requirement before mentioned. Just recently, the Daughters of the American Revolution have been subjected to an investigation on account of renting some portion of their Continental Hall Building for profit, and have been threatened with taxation.

"I am suggesting to the Council that Secretary E. F. Kelly, Treasurer C. W. Holton and myself be authorized to reduce the note held by the Maryland Trust Company, or pay it off in full at any time within the next ninety days from the present date, in accordance with our best judgment."

H. A. B. DUNNING, *Chairman*.

(Motion No. 6) It is moved by Philip that E. F. Kelly, Secretary, C. W. Holton, Treasurer, and H. A. B. Dunning, Chairman, be authorized to reduce the note held by the Maryland Trust Company, or pay it off in full at any time within the next ninety days from the present date, in accordance with their best judgment.

33. *Local Secretary for 1934-1935.* No nominations have been submitted other than that of Dean Mickelsen (see Council Letter No. 4, page 945).

(Motion No. 7) It is moved by Kelly that A. O. Mickelsen, Portland, Oregon, be elected Local Secretary for 1934-1935.

34. *Headquarters and Time for 1935 Meeting.* Certain recent developments in connection with the joint meeting of the Oregon, Washington and Idaho Pharmaceutical Associations, to be held in Portland during the week of the A. PH. A. meeting, make it necessary to further delay the vote on the headquarters hotel and the time (see Council Letter No. 4, pages 945-946). It is important, however, to elect the Local Secretary in order that the necessary committees may be appointed and the plans for the meeting be prepared.

35. *Use of Text of the N. F. V.* The following communication has been received from Chairman DuMez of the Committee on Publications:

"I have gone over the manuscript submitted by G. S. Eadie of the School of Medicine of Duke University, which we propose to use in the Hospital Formulary of Duke Hospital, and find that he has used the text of the National Formulary no differently than others to whom we have granted permission to use portions of the text of the N. F. in the publication of books. I am, therefore, recommending to the Council that permission be granted to G. S. Eadie to use portions of the text of the National Formulary in the preparation of the Hospital Formulary of Duke Hospital, and that no charge be made therefor in view of the small amount of material taken from the N. F. and the restricted use to which the publication will be put."

(Motion No. 8) It is moved by DuMez that permission be granted to the School of Medicine of Duke University to use the text of the N. F. VI for partial reproduction in the Hospital Formulary of Duke University under the usual conditions and that no charge be made therefor in this instance.

36. *Applicants for Membership.* The following applications properly endorsed and accompanied by the first year's dues have been received:

No. 42, David A. Lofgren, 30 E. 111th St., Chicago, Ill.; No. 43, John David Smith, 101 Manly, Univ. of N. C., Chapel Hill, N. C.; No. 44, Bernard J. O'Connell, 17515 Parkside, Detroit, Mich.; No. 45, W. L. Hickok, Martinsville, Va.; No. 46, Ray M. Bush, 770 Angella St., Dubuque, Iowa; No. 47, Paul Leopold Weinbrenn, 24 Rosebank Rd., Johannesburg, South

Africa; No. 48, Tzee Hugh Chung, 283 Des Voeux Road, Hong Kong, China; No. 49, Edward J. Byard, 617 Spruce Street, Morgantown, W. Va.; No. 50, Wen-Yuan Chen, The Golden Sea Library, Tangku, N. China; No. 51, Walter L. Sechrist, 4209 Chester Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.; No. 52, John T. Cummins, 1660 Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio; No. 53, Chas. H. Sprague, 6103 Military Ave., Omaha, Nebr.; No. 54, Lew Wallace, 745 Sixth Avenue, Laurel, Miss.; No. 55, William Wood, 1801 S. Sixth St., Philadelphia, Pa.; No. 56, George Allen Emmart, 6011—4th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.; No. 57, Ralph King Miley, 418 W. M. Bay St., Tampa, Fla.; No. 58, Frank Joseph Mayer, 3213 W. 56th St., Cleveland, Ohio; No. 59, Wesley Dalton Owens, Pleasant St. and University Ave., Gainesville, Fla.; No. 60, Joseph Wilensky, 1943 66th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. C.; No. 61, William Donald Nelson, 2029 W. Broadway, Minneapolis, Minn.; No. 62, Roger S. Carlson, Union Park Hotel, Chicago, Ill.; No. 63, Arnold Lawson, 193 Baltimore Blvd., Brentwood, Md.; No. 64, Alfred Rigling, 20th St. and Parkway, Philadelphia, Penna.; No. 65, Coleman Bardos, Jr., 55 West 16th St., New York, N. Y.; No. 66, John Richard Nishanian, 2008 LaFontaine Ave., New York, N. Y.; No. 67, Norman Kenneth Edgars, 85 Hillside Ave., Tenafly, N. J.; No. 68, George Kenneth Thompson, 251 Center Ave., Elizabeth, Penna.; No. 69, Nathan Alexander Simpson, 295 West Essex Ave., Lansdowne, Pa.; No. 70, Arthur Schuck, 423 N. Lake St., Madison, Wis.; No. 71, Casimir Zielinski, 3141 S. Logan Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.; No. 72, Louis A. Marzolini, 308 East 105th St., Manhattan, N. Y.; No. 73, William R. H. Breuer, 775 Woodward Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; No. 74, Abraham Schwartz, 1541 Shakespeare Ave., Bronx, N. Y. C.; No. 75, Ernest William Bye, 704 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kansas; No. 76, Philip Lemchen, Route No. 2, Box 73V, New Brunswick, N. J.

(*Motion No. 9*) *Vote on applications for membership in the American Pharmaceutical Association.*

E. F. KELLY, *Secretary.*

EASTERN GROUP PLANS STABILIZATION CONTROL.

To seek a reasonable margin of profit between costs and suggested minimum selling price, and to create a more closely "supervised" price stabilization program than has ever before been possible, will be the first steps taken by the newly formed federation of Eastern States pharmaceutical associations to test its power in dealing with drug problems, according to John F. O'Brien, executive-secretary of the new group, and president of the New York State Pharmaceutical Association.

The new federation, which consists of delegates from nine eastern state associations, and may include three others was formed for the professed purpose "of promoting professional and economic interests of pharmacy and to cooperate with the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and National Association of Retail Druggists in matters of national importance."

In addition to its price stabilization activities, Mr. O'Brien said that the new group will also work for the reconsideration by manufacturers of their present policy on ten-cent sizes, for the restoration of discounts formerly allowed by wholesalers, and for legislation which will confine the sale of medical products to pharmacies.

Although the policies of the new federation have not been definitely worked out as yet, the executive committee of the group has been appointed and will meet shortly to develop its processes of operation. The executive group, according to the by-laws of the association, is authorized to deal with any and all problems of professional and economic importance.

The federation plans to hold semi-annual meetings, in May and November, at which time the members of the council of the federation will meet. Each state has already appointed its representative, which consists of two members, one appointed for a two-year term and the other for a one-year term. The councilors are selected by state pharmaceutical associations of the states represented. Those states are, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia. It is also believed that New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine will become affiliated with the federation.—From *Drug Topics*.

TEXAS PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

Dallas was selected as the convention city in 1935 by the executive committee of the Texas Pharmaceutical Association at its semi-annual session at the Adolphus Hotel. The Convention will be either in May or June.