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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

Although not essential, among the helpful and important qualifications of a chairman of the House of Delegates of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION are: The interest he has in his state organization and its activities in the pharmaceutical conferences of law and state bodies; in the work of the State board of pharmacy and participation in that of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. In all of these efforts the Chairman of the House of Delegates measures up to a high standard and in recent years his coöperation in the advancement of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION has become influential and valuable.

The West Virginia Review of September 1935 and "Who's Who in America" for 1934-1935, have been drawn upon for data in preparing this brief sketch.

Roy Bird Cook was born April 1, 1886, in Lewis County, near Weston, W. Va., the son of David Bird and Dora Elizabeth (Conrad) Cook. He graduated from Weston High School in 1904. His father was editor of *The Independent*, Weston, and here the son (Roy) was employed for a time, until 1899, when he engaged with Ralston & Bare who encouraged him in his studies and, in 1905, he passed the examination of West Virginia Board of Pharmacy as "registered pharmacist." In 1907, he entered the drug business under the firm name of Ralston & Cook; three years later, he moved to Huntington and continued the pharmacy until 1919; since that time he has been connected with drug stores in Charleston and is president of Older-Cook Drug Company.

Mr. Cook was appointed a member of the West Virginia Board of Pharmacy, in 1925, and since then re-appointed by succeeding Governors, and has been secretary of the Board for the past four years.

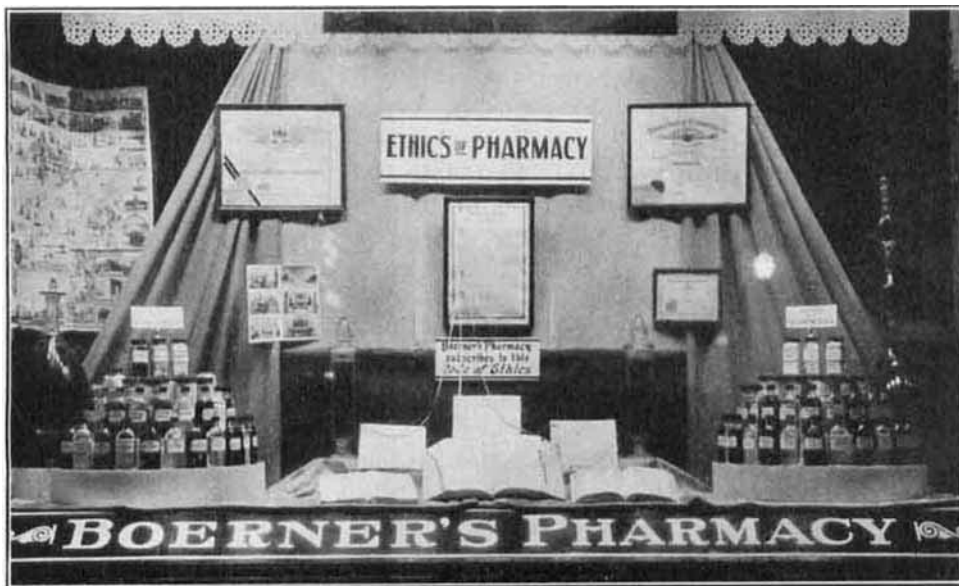
In 1918, he was chosen president of West Virginia Pharmaceutical Association. He was elected Chairman of the House of Delegates, A. PH. A. at the Portland, Ore., meeting and, recently, was appointed member and chairman of the Committee on Proprietary Medicines.

Mr. Cook is a member of the Keller-Cook Company, of Huntington, and treasurer of Kreig, Wallace & McQuaide of Charleston. He is associate editor of *the West Virginia Review* and of the *Weston Independent*; secretary and treasurer of the Independent Publishing Company; S. A. R., Virginia Historical Society. He is author of "The Family and Early Life of Stonewall Jackson," "Lewis County in the Civil War," "Lewis County in the Spanish-American War," "Washington's Western Lands and the Annals of Fort Lee," just off the press.

The West Virginia Review writes of him as "a forceful speaker—a man who stands up and talks sincerely, accurately and interestingly. The biggest job and the most successful one Mr. Cook has accomplished in his life is that of making friends."

He is a former president of the local Kiwanis Club, active in Masonic bodies and as a church member, interested and informed on historical matters.

In 1907, the subject of this brief sketch and Nelle Williams Camden, of Parkersburg, were married; three daughters have graced the family circle—Betty Keith, Eleanor Bird and Mary Randolph (Mrs. B. Haller).



Boerner's Pharmacy Week Window.

THE 1936 REMINGTON MEDAL.

Secretary Hugo H. Schaefer, of the Remington Medal Committee, has announced that the Remington Honor Medal, bestowed annually for meritorious work in American Pharmacy has this year been awarded to E. N. Gathercoal of Chicago.

The Committee of Award, consisting of the past-presidents of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION has selected Professor Gathercoal as recipient because of: the great service that he has given to Pharmacy as chairman of the Committee on Unofficial Formulas and the National Formulary and other extensive investigative work in promoting better standards for pharmaceutical products and because of his efforts to bring about the standardization of color nomenclature. In addition, his useful work in the survey of prescriptions and his researches in pharmacognosy and his continuous record of many years of faithful service as teacher of pharmacy students was recognized.