

## Minutes of Section Sessions

### MINUTES OF THE SESSIONS OF THE WOMEN'S SECTION AT DETROIT.

The first session of the Women's Section was called to order on Tuesday at 9:30 a. m., by the President, Mrs. John G. Godding, in the parlor of the Hotel Pontchartrain.

The Divine blessing was invoked by the Reverend Dr. Pence of the Second Presbyterian Church of Detroit.

Mrs. Harry Kingsmill, of London, Ontario, furnished musical selections.

Greetings to the women of the convention from the Detroit hostesses were extended by Mrs. J. H. Webster, Chairman of the Ladies' Entertainment Committee. The response was given by Mrs. G. D. Timmons, of Indiana.

The Second Vice-President, Mrs. M. M. Gray, of Illinois, took the chair during the delivery of the President's address.

#### ADDRESS OF THE MADAM PRESIDENT.

MRS. JOHN G. GODDING.

With joy filling my heart I greet you to the meeting of the Women's Section.

Our appreciation of the privilege of coming to this fair city, "The Goddess of the Inland Seas," is more than I can fittingly express. We come to you bringing a warm clasp of friendship, not as strangers, but as kinsfolk, for some of us come from the ancestral homes of your forbears. From these pleasant surroundings to which you warmly welcome us, we shall be loth to depart, for I predict that at the close of this week we will be singing in unison, "Michigan, My Michigan."

We count it as an inestimable privilege to be known as members of a Section of this honored Association, the peer of any of its class in the world, a power for pharmaceutical development. We are grateful to it for their acceptance of us as a part of their organization.

The objects of this Section are to emphasize the right and capability of women to engage in pharmaceutical pursuits as a means of livelihood; to unite the women employed in Pharmacy for mutual encouragement and assistance; to labor for the improvement of legislation regulating the registration as pharmacists of women employed in the practice of Pharmacy in hospitals and other public institutions; to unite the women members of the A. Ph. A. and the women of the families of members of the A. Ph. A. in a section for social purposes and to coöperate in the promotion of the general progress of Pharmacy and of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

To all fair-minded persons the Women's Section has fully justified its being. The record of its work accomplished; the zeal and earnestness displayed by its members in effecting their permanent organization amid the torrid conditions of Nashville, and the creditable program which they arranged, all attest the wisdom of its establishment. To the present time it has secured twelve members as accessions to the Association and four of these were secured by a non-professional woman. The underlying purposes for the formation of this Section seem so vaguely understood that it seems well to quote from one high in authority in regard to this subject.

"It was believed that the creation of a Section of this kind would give more

formal recognition to the ladies who so regularly attend the convention and are so loyal to the A. Ph. A. principles. It is also the opinion that a Section of this kind can accomplish more for the women than the independent organizations, because the Section will have behind it all the influence of the A. Ph. A. and the prestige of its sixty years of history. It is also thought that such a Section would afford an opportunity for emphasizing the fact that women have a definite place in Pharmacy and are as much to be heard in pharmaceutical affairs as are the men, which has always been the attitude of the A. Ph. A."

The Women's Section desires to share in making the A. Ph. A. all that is possible in the way of an organization useful to Pharmacy. We know the A. Ph. A. is the only national organization in which all pharmaceutical interests meet. There is no distinction between clerk and proprietor, jobber or manufacturer, chemist or teacher, and even editors are given a hearing. As has been often said,



MRS. JOHN CULLEY,  
Madam President.



MRS. H. M. WHELPLEY,  
Second Vice President.

"The A. Ph. A. is the great clearing-house of Pharmacy." Into these opportunities and possibilities of this wide domain, the women have been counted worthy to enter. We realize that the best things can only be secured by united and concerted action. There is something wonderful in the power which organized effort can develop. The Women of this Section appreciate in the highest degree the distinction conferred by the Council in christening it "The Women's Section," and their greatest ambition is to make it a useful part of the parent Association, by directing the attention of women pharmacists to the quality and character of work this Association is accomplishing, and to use every avenue of influence open to them in extending its work. Our women can do important work that cannot be relegated to any other Section, a work so far-reaching in its influence that we may prove a mighty factor in the future of the Association. Carlyle said, "Give a thing time to grow. If it can succeed it is a good thing." Organization at large range is extremely difficult. We cannot accomplish everything in a day or a year, but we can do it if let alone. The present urges us to renewed zeal and the future beckons us to that success, which, though

" 'Tis not in mortals to command.

But we'll do more, Sempronius, we'll deserve it."

In Pharmacy women are succeeding, partly because of their genius for real hard work.

Statistics of influence can never be compiled. Each year brings promising information of young women who are entering the various colleges of Pharmacy, and of their being eagerly sought for responsible positions. The trend of the time is toward an active demand for women as pharmacists in Hospitals, State Food and Drug Laboratories, by Boards of Health as analysts, as well as for teachers in Colleges and in the retail drug business.

The Women's Pharmaceutical Associations on the Pacific Coast, New York, Chicago and Louisiana, each one "a live wire" in promoting the interest of Pharmacy, are signal lights to arouse women to the advantages to be derived from concerted action.

"The world bestows its rewards, both in honors and money, but for one thing and that is Initiative," or the doing of the right thing without being told. But next to doing without being told, is to do when you are told once. It seems to me the Women's Section was created to work as do the other Sections, for the betterment of Pharmacy, along the lines and in the way women are privileged to arrange and conduct their sessions.

The scope of the Women's Section will lead to the establishment of new ideas and new ideals, and *Ideals* lead the world. Ideals live though men die. We should urge all women pharmacists, as their bounden duty to become members of the A. Ph. A., and to assist in increasing its active membership. If we have not accomplished tangible results in proportion to our efforts, we are large in hope, in an increasing belief in the value of Pharmacy for women, and that better things are yet to come. The Women's Section hopes to build its organization so substantially and to become so true a helpmate, that it will be the one indispensable Section of the A. Ph. A.

I consented to be your President for what may have seemed a second term, because we only organized at Nashville. I have kept just a little in advance of you, but at the close of this Convention I shall fall back, to walk side by side with you in the ranks, pledged "to keep step" in all your efforts for the advancement of your work. In retiring from the office of President I wish to express my appreciation for the high honor tendered me and the trust reposed in me by the President and Council who appointed me your first leader. To thank also the Officers of the A. Ph. A., the pharmaceutical press and all members who have assisted and encouraged this Section in its beginning. We bespeak your coöperation for our successors and faith and hope in us. I would express my appreciation for the coöperation of my Officers and Committees and to the Secretary who has been "a tower of strength."

I wish I could stir up in your minds a realization of the great opportunity set before you who are to follow in the path which we have broken. "'Tis not for me to prophesy. It is the young who must see the vision and follow it. The old may but dream dreams." Take this resolution home with you:—that when we return we make renewed efforts not only to disseminate the knowledge of the deliberations of this meeting but earnestly strive to further the aims and purposes of this grand Association which we are proud to serve.

#### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

Your Secretary has no detailed report to make, beyond the usual work of the office. The correspondence and coöperation with the standing committees constitute the most of the duties of this office and the work of those committees will be reported by the several chairmen.

ANNA G. BAGLEY, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Owing to the absence of Mrs. Claus, Chairman of the Executive Committee, the work has fallen upon the other members and, though we have done the work

gladly, I am not sure that we have accomplished all that we might. At any rate we have little to report.

During the time that has elapsed since the meeting at Nashville no special business has been brought to our attention and our work has been mostly an effort to obtain papers for this program. A good many requests were made but few responded. Lack of responsiveness may be due to the way the appeal was made or in some other way the fault of the committee.

One thing I have felt particularly and that is the necessity of interesting wives of druggists. This Section was not created primarily for women pharmacists, and we should never have a large part in the program. Owing to my limited acquaintance with women members who are not pharmacists I have been unable to do much in that direction.

ZADA M. COOPER.

The Membership Committee submitted the following:

The Membership Committee has secured a total of twelve members during the past year. Individual reports have not been submitted by all the members. Miss Henkel of Chevy Chase, Md., reports as follows:

"I have to report that I have written 100 letters in an endeavor to obtain new members for the American Pharmaceutical Association. Fifty of these were addressed to women pharmacists and fifty to men, not only in the district allotted me, but also in Ohio and Missouri. I am very sorry to say that thus far I have not had a single response."

Through the Secretary's office a general knowledge has been gleaned of the efforts made by this committee, all of whom observed the rally-days set aside by Chairman Packard, writing from 25 to 50 letters each. The committee feels that this is good work, and like all other advertising, will have its effect in future work along this line.

The report of the Chairman's work in District Number 3, comprising Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin, is as follows:

Eighty copies of the Proceedings of the Women's Section were mailed to women graduates of the two colleges of pharmacy of Chicago, to women pharmacists of the city of Chicago, and of the State of Illinois. A personal letter, giving the objects and aims of the A. Ph. A. and of the Women's Section especially, were mailed to each of 40 of the above-mentioned 80, and ten personal interviews were obtained; all of these young women expressing themselves as very much interested in the Women's Section, and when circumstances permitted promised to become members.

Only two copies out of the 80 copies of Proceedings sent out were returned marked "Not Claimed." These two copies were promptly re-addressed and sent to two prominent women pharmacists who for some reason had let their memberships in the A. Ph. A. lapse.

Your Chairman has the promise of one member, now resident in the State of Idaho, and has secured the memberships of two,—one a resident of Oak Park, Ill., having charge of the Pharmacy in one of Chicago's large hospitals for women and children, and one in charge of the pharmacy department in a hospital in Atlanta, Ga.

According to the latest statistics obtainable, your Chairman finds that there are, in the State of Ohio, sixty-seven women pharmacists, with but seven of these, members of the A. Ph. A. Illinois has ninety-three registered women, and thirty assistant registered women pharmacists, with but five of them members of the A. Ph. A. Kentucky has thirty-two women pharmacists, with not one woman member. Indiana has seven women pharmacists, with not one of these a member. Michigan, nine women pharmacists and one a member, and Wisconsin sixty women pharmacists, with one member, making a total of two hundred and ninety-eight women pharmacists in the six states of this district, with but fourteen of these who are members of the A. Ph. A.

What is true of District No. 3 is probably true of all other districts—truly, the next membership committee has a large field to work upon.

Since our last meeting—August, 1913,—your Chairman has gathered and compiled a list of the names and addresses of over three hundred women pharmacists from various sources—the personal items mentioned in the several Drug Journals, and the Druggists' Directory, etc. This list has been turned over to your Secretary for her files and for future reference.

MRS. M. M. GRAY, Chairman.

The Press Committee reported as follows:—

*Madam President and Members:—*

In January, 1914, the Secretary notified me of my appointment as Chairman of the Press Committee.

I am deeply gratified for the honor and regret my inability to make a complete report of the work accomplished.

I addressed a communication to each member of the committee asking their coöperation and items of interest to the Section. I regret that but one reply and one newspaper clipping was received during the entire year.

We are very grateful to the Secretary for carrying much of the work and responsibility of this committee the past year.

As a delegate from the Women's Section to the Utah Pharmaceutical Association, I had an opportunity to speak of the Women's Section and made a plea for a state organization. I have also forwarded to the Secretary a paper read before the Utah Association by Mrs. Wynn Eddy, the wife of a pharmacist.

The Women's Section of the A. Ph. A. has been getting a great deal of publicity in various drug journals and especially the Journal of the A. Ph. A., which items are too numerous to mention in this report.

ELIZABETH H. CULLEY, Chairman.

The Chair appointed as Nominating Committee, Miss Elizabeth Jenkins, Chairman; Mrs. E. A. Ruddiman, Mrs. G. D. Timmons, Mrs. William B. Day and Mrs. George F. Payne.

Mrs. Kingsmill sang several selections.

#### SECOND SESSION.

The second session of the Women's Section convened at 10 o'clock Friday morning.

President-elect Mayo of the A. Ph. A. claimed the privilege of presenting the Women's Section with a gavel, which offer was promptly accepted with thanks.

Mrs. G. T. Chamberlin, of Hartford, Mich., President of the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs, brought the greetings from 18,000 federated women in Michigan to the women of A. Ph. A.

Mrs. Herman Neuhoff, of Detroit, accompanied by Miss Harriet Ingersoll, furnished the music for this session.

Mrs. Chamberlin addressed the Section on "What Druggists' Wives Can Do to Raise the Standard of the Profession."

Chairman Zada M. Cooper, presented the following papers:—

"First Aid to Druggists," by Mrs. Wynn L. Eddy; "The Drug Habit and Its Bearing on Pharmacy," Anna B. Schlumberger; "The Views of a Woman Pharmacist," Mrs. I. A. Anderson, and "Sunday and Early Closing," Mrs. R. L. Thompson.

The Secretary read the following communication:—

The Women's Organization of the National Association of Retail Druggists extends to the Women's Section of the A. Ph. A. a cordial greeting and expresses the hope that your meeting will be a satisfactory and a successful one, and that the high aims of your Association may be fulfilled. With best wishes to officers and members, we remain,

Yours sincerely,

MRS. JESSIE F. WATERHOUSE, President.

MRS. NELLIE FLORENCE LEE, Secretary.

Also greetings from Mesdames Clarissa Roehr and Bruce Phillip, of San Francisco, both of which expressed the hope that the Association would hold its 1915 meeting in that city.

The Committee on President's Address reported its approval of the ideals and hopes expressed in the address of the Madam President, and heartily approves its recommendations. The Committee on Resolutions expressed its great sorrow at the passing-away of Mrs. J. M. Good of St. Louis and tendered sincere sympathy to her bereaved husband and family. It discussed the work of women not alone in the Association, but in the larger work of the world and extended the warmest thanks of the Section to the Detroit Committee, to President Mayo for his gift of a gavel, and to Mesdames Chamberlin, Kingsmill, Neuhoff and Ingersoll and to those who contributed papers to the meeting.

The following were elected as officers for the ensuing year:—President, Mrs. John Culley, Utah; Hon. President, Mrs. S. A. D. Sheppard, Boston; First V. P., Mrs. Kittie Harbord Graver, Penn.; Second V. P., Mrs. H. M. Whelpley, Missouri; Third V. P., Miss Jean Gordon, Illinois; Historian, Mrs. George B. Kauffman, Ohio; Treasurer, Mrs. F. H. Carter, Indiana; Secretary, Miss A. G. Bagley, Ohio; Member Executive Committee for three years, Mrs. John G. Godding, Massachusetts; Membership Committee, Mrs. M. M. Gray, Misses Alice Henkel and Mary L. Creighton, Mrs. C. T. P. Fennell and Mrs. C. A. Stover.



MRS. GEO. B. KAUFFMAN,  
Historian.



MRS. JOHN G. GODDING,  
Executive Committee.

## MINUTES OF THE SECTION ON PRACTICE OF PHARMACY AND DISPENSING.

The opening session was called to order by Chairman Nitardy at 2 p. m., on Wednesday, August 26.

The Chairman, in his preliminary remarks, requested the lenient judgment of the members in his work for he had been in the care of a physician since May 15, and had only recently obtained his permission to be present at the Convention. At the conclusion of his opening remarks he asked Asso. Chairman Becker to take the Chair during the reading of the Chairman's address. (Printed in September issue, P. 1309.)

When Mr. Nitardy had concluded his address, on motion of Prof. Hynson, the following gentlemen were appointed to consider its recommendation:—Messrs. Hynson, Raubenheimer and Weinstein.

Mr. Nitardy then resumed the Chair and called upon Prof. Hynson to read a paper entitled, "All-Fool's Day at the Dispensing Counter."

Prof. Hynson prefaced the reading of his paper by referring to the recent agitation for the abolishment of the Section. Every once in a while, he said, some one, who perhaps had never attended one of the sessions, advocated its abolishment. But, speaking from his personal experience, he thought this section one of the most useful of all those of the Association. Before its establishment he had found it difficult to get in touch with the meetings of the Association. The Scientific Section was "over his head," and at meetings of other sections matters were discussed of no vital interest to him as a retail pharmacist, and it had taken him three years of persistent work to establish the fact that, in retail pharmacy and dispensing there was enough actual science, art and knowledge to require the establishment of this Section. With that idea as his inspiration he had attempted in his paper to show the need of science, art and knowledge at the prescription-counter. The selection of All-Fool's Day was in consequence of its being between seasons, and also that it might be a day with a little nonsense in it. (Printed on P. 1537, with discussion.)

Mr. F. M. Apple read a paper entitled, "What Constitutes Good Prescription Service?" This was followed by the reading of a paper by Prof. Ed. Kremers on, "The Incompatibility of Chloral Hydrate and Potassium Bromide in Hydro-Alcoholic Solution."

Mr. Apple contributed a paper entitled, "Filling Capsules—A Suggestion." (Paper and discussion, P. 1562.)

Mr. Cornelius Osseward was called to read a paper on "What Percent of the Prescriptions Dispensed in Your Store Can You Conscientiously Declare to be Dispensed with Fresh Drugs and Chemicals?" (Paper and discussion, P. 1554.)

Prof. Arny contributed a paper entitled, "The American Institute of Prescrip-tionists." Paper and discussion, P. 1542.

Mr. C. P. Beckwith read a paper entitled, "The Pharmacy of Adrenalin." (P. 1547.)

The Chairman then called for the regular order of business, the nomination of officers for the ensuing year, and the following gentlemen were nominated:—Cornelius Osseward for Chairman; Irwin A. Becker for Secretary, and D. S. Jones for Associate Chairman. Adjourned until Thursday at 9:30 a. m.

In his opening remarks, Chairman Nitardy called attention to the fact that it was a joint session with the Michigan State Pharmaceutical Association and he invited the officers of that Association to seats upon the platform. The election of officers for the Section was then held, and the gentlemen nominated at the previous session were elected as the officers of the Section.

Mr. Nitardy then read a paper entitled, "A Plea for Reform in the Dispensing of Ointments and Similar Preparations."

Mr. F. M. Apple read a paper by Charles H. LaWall entitled, "A Formula for a New Type of Antiseptic Solution."

Mr. Kimmich contributed a paper on "The Deterioration of Galenicals."

Mr. Caswell A. Mayo read a paper entitled, "The Accuracy of Clinical Thermometers."

The Committee on Chairman's Address reported as follows:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS OF THE CHAIRMAN.

After a very careful consideration of the excellent address of Chairman Nitardy, which should be carefully studied by every pharmacist, your committee begs to present the following report, which approves of the recommendations herewith presented:

1. *Preservation of Records.* There is no question that the records of the Section on Practical Pharmacy and Dispensing should be preserved and should be available for the future officers.

2. *Compilation of a Mailing List.* Such a list should be compiled especially of those members who take an interest in the Section so they can readily be reached.

3. *Formulation of a Set of Questions.* No doubt the symposium which has been arranged by Chairman Nitardy will be a record breaker in the history of the Section and should be kept up each year.

4. *Systematic Research on Practical Pharmacy.* Above all, this should be done as there are very many questions which come up in the daily practice of the Pharmacists that need further investigation, and should be solved.

In conclusion, we ask every member to study the address of the Chairman very carefully and to help to assure the success of the Section on Practical Pharmacy and Dispensing, which is *the* Section for the practical Pharmacists.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH WEINSTEIN.

OTTO RAUBENHEIMER.

HY. P. HYNSON, Chairman.

And on motion the report was adopted.

Mr. Wilbert addressed the Section on the work of the American Medical Association and in connection therewith exhibited several of its publications, and commented upon their usefulness to pharmacists and to physicians.

Mr. Hall read a paper entitled, "A New Antidote for Corrosive Sublimate Poisoning."

Adjourned to meet at the call of the Chairman.